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Rollin', rollin', rollin' on the river

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Student Assembly is set to rush the rapids at Watertown, New York this weekend.

Maya Angelou chosen as next Great Names speaker

By Tom Ayres '98
NEWS EDITOR

Award-winning writer, educator, actress and civil rights activist Maya Angelou will be the next featured speaker in the Great Names series. The highly-acclaimed author will speak on Wednesday, October 22 in the Margaret Scott Bundy Fieldhouse.

Hailed as "one of the great voices of contemporary literature" Angelou has written 11 best-selling books, including the autobiographical, I Know Why a Caged Bird Sings, which was nominated for the National Book Award in 1970. Among her poetry, her Just Give Me a Cool Drink of Water 'Fore I Diiie was nominated for a Pulitzer Prize. Her poem for President Clinton's 1993 inauguration, "On the Pulse of the Morning" won a Grammy award for "best spoken word." In 1995, she recited the poem "A Brave and Starling Truth" at the 50th anniversary celebration of the United Nations.

Maya Angelou.

Faculty and students showed signs of excitement with the announcement that Angelou will come to campus. Assistant Professor of Africana Studies Joseph Dorsey believes that the occasion will be momentous one.

"Hamilton certainly stands to

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Housing shortage averted
Res Life finds rooms for 40

By Aaron Armstrong '00
NEWS STAFF WRITER

In early May, 40 rising sophomores found themselves without a place to sleep for the fall. Even with the addition of the new 3940 Campus Rd. residence hall, on-campus housing was at full capacity and these students were forced to wait, some until weeks before classes began, to discover where they would call home for the next nine months.

Rebecca Reed-Kantrowitz, Director of Residential Life and Assistant Dean of Students, was faced with the challenge of finding housing where none existed. The problem was a formidable yet familiar one.

"We knew that the shortage would happen because every summer rooms do open up as people transfer, decide they can't come back for financial reasons, or take a leave of absence," said Reed-Kantrowitz.

In most years, the number of students who decided not to come back for the fall semester offsets the amount of students without housing. "We got a sense about the middle of August that we really were full and not enough people were going to be dropping out," Reed-Kantrowitz explained.

The solution was to take the first 10 names on the senior waiting list and allow them to live in off-campus apartment. If one of the seniors had changed his or her mind, the next name would have been called. By the start of classes, 10 seniors, who expected to be living on the Hill, were downtown, which opened up space for those sophomores without housing.

Normally, 65 seniors lived off-campus, but the increase to 75 will be retained for the future to avoid future shortages.

"The unhoused students that we worked with over the summer were great," said Reed-Kantrowitz, "they were patient and easy to work with. Many of them ended up in some very good rooms."

The reason behind the housing shortage is a trend that has been

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Tobin sponsors Christmas in April, group dedicated to repairing run-down homes

By Kathy Webber '00
NEWS STAFF WRITER

This Saturday, a group of students will work from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. painting, repairing, and completing renovations at a home sponsored by the College as part of the "Christmas in April" program.

President Tobin addressed a memo to the community asking for help on the project and students were also recruited during HAVOC's Open House on Tuesday by Jeff McArn, the college chaplain. In his memo, Tobin stated he hoped that students would "sign up for what promises to be a rewarding experience."

A group of resident advisors have done preparation work on the home during their training in August. Before Saturday's events could take place, cleaning had to be done. RA's did yard work and helped clean debris.

"Christmas in April" describes itself as the leading volunteer organization, in partnership with the community, that rehabilitates the houses of low-income homeowners, particularly the elderly and disabled, so that they may continue to live in warmth, safety, and independence. The program helps to avoid the situation where houses that fall into disrepair must be torn down.

The non-profit, non-sectarian organization recruits people from all walks of life, religions, racial and ethnic groups, ages, and sexes to help those in need.

Founded in 1988 and headquartered in Washington, D.C. Christmas in April coordinates and assists the many local programs found throughout the country. This year, Christmas in April will rehabilitate 4,500 homes and non-profit facilities in America. Christmas in April celebrates its efforts during the year on National Rebuilding day which is usually the last Saturday in April.

President Tobin's assistant Louise Peckingham has met with other sponsors in the area in order to form the program for the Mohawk Valley. In addition to sponsors, there are community agencies, such as the Utica Neighborhood Housing Service, who serve on the Board of Directors.

The program was featured in the August 15 edition of the *Observer-Dispatch*. Hamilton is one of five corporate sponsors of the project with the others as Utica College, McDonald's, Adirondack Bank, and PAR Technology.

According to the article, each sponsor is asked to sponsor one home by providing a team of volunteer workers and $3,000 to cover the expenses of the home. The program has also been featured in Time and The Nation.

Those who benefit from the program are very appreciative to receive housing renovations that would never have been completed without the program. The name of the program was used after a beneficiary expressed her appreciation for the work done and compared it to "Christmas in April!"

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Student Assembly ready to confront issues of new year

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Rafting kicks off the year for Student Assembly.

BY CRISTEN SARGENT '01
NEWS STAFF WRITER

The Student Assembly had its first meeting of the academic year on Monday, and the most important project of the agenda was setting up first year elections, which will be held on Tuesday, September 23.

The Assembly is the student governing organization made up of 30 delegates, seven from each class, plus the President, Susan Greenspan '99, and Vice-President, Yung-Jin Oh '98. The group is officially responsible for communicating the student body's opinions to faculty and leading campus activities.

The Assembly already has several projects underway. Members will kick off the new academic year with a white water rafting trip to Old Forge in Waterrtown, NY this Saturday. At future meetings, they will divide into four or five project teams, each dealing with a separate issue, such as social issues.

One team will work with faculty on curriculum review and discussion, and another will make further recommendations to the Anti-Hazing Task Force. This committee of students and faculty, which has not officially met, is aimed at educating the campus about acts that constitute hazing, and establishing measures to deal with such violations of campus policy.

The Assembly looks to continue last year's success, according to Greenspan, which included finalizing plans for an outdoor graduation and the ability to use the campus card for laundry and vending machines, which should be in place soon.

Facebook draws fire from first-years

Students allege misuse, social exclusion by males

BY MATT BRAND '98
SPECIAL TO THE SPECTATOR

The freshman facebook, a yearly publication featuring the hometowns, high schools, and photos of the incoming class, is a convinient tool both for new students and professors.

However, the book has been critisized recently by female freshman students and members of the administration, who claim that it is being misused by older male students and is no longer serves its intended purpose.

Fraternity members throughout the years have reportedly used the facebook as a catalogue when deciding which new freshman girls to invite to their parties, picking the ones they consider the most attractive. This practice has made many sqeamish about the book, particularly freshman girls who don't like the idea of being judged based solely upon looks, school and hometown.

"It's sad, and the fact that people would judge you by your face says something about the Hamilton community," said Kristen Angster '01. "What's so important about the exterior?"

This past weekend's Delta Phi party in North Court has been critisized for being exclusive to only the freshmen who make the facebook cut. One group of freshmen girls, many who didn't know a single brother, were given invitations, while a second group — who likewise didn't know any brothers — were not given invitations.

Many of those who were excluded blame the unfair facebook selection process. Delta Phi admits to owning a facebook, but denies using it as a sourse for their invitation process.

""We try to move away from the predatory image," said Reid McCarthy '00, social chair for Delta Phi.

Members of the administration have expressed adverse feelings towards the facebook. Director of Student Activities Bev Low acknowledged that the book has been misused among upperclassmen, and agreed that its negative aspects outweighed its usefulness.

"It leads to automatic first judgements based on appearance," she said. "It no longer serves a positive purpose."

But many members of the community feel that the facebook is useful, especially professors and resident advisors who feel it is necessary for getting aquainted with new freshmen. The facebook is published with the intent of benefitting the community, and to bring together a small class of new students. Many fresh men, believing its value outwieg the problems it creates, see it as convinient aid which serves thes ends.

Speculations were made about new facebook, which, for exampl would include the entire student bod and the faculty and administrati instead of only the freshmen clas This would prevent the "freshm catalogue" aspect, while providing more complete student guide bo service. A campus-wide catalogu however, would soar the price production, from $3,000 to an est mated $10,000.

Although it provides a service the facebook is prone to misuse, an the administration *will have to fac* this when deciding what changes wil be made to future formats, if any will be made at all. Asssistant Professo of Comparitive Literature Nanc Rabinowitz feels these issues shou be confronted.

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FACING THE FACTS

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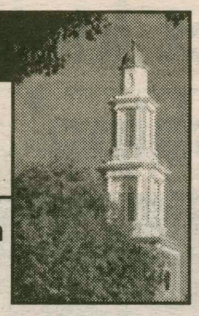


Survey leaves some Columbia students guessing

An unscientific survey conducted by Jim Sulski's Interpretive Reporting class concluded that, among other things, it's not easy to predict what types of trivia Columbia students excel at.

The Interpretive Reporting class collaborated ideas for the survey, aiming to test students' academic knowledge and that of popular culture. Over 200 students responded to the survey and, on average, survey respondents answered 58 percent of the 12 questions correctly. Only one student, a Chemistry major, did well on the survey, answering 11 of the 12 questions correctly.

Each popular culture question was paired with an academic question. For instance, naming the five Great lakes (Michigan, Ontario, Erie, Huron and Superior) was paired with naming Snow White's seven dwarfs (Doc, Happy, Sneezy, Dopey, Grumpy, Sleepy and Bashful). Only 50 percent of the respondents surveyed could name all of the Great Lakes and 62 percent could name all of Snow White's dwarfs.

Also surprising, given how much our generation has spent in front of screens big and small, was how many students didn't know who Luke Skywalker's father was (Darth Vader). Seventy-seven percent didn't answer that correctly or its sister question: What number planet is Earth from the sun? (Three) Sixty-six percent couldn't answer that. But more students knew that Darth Vader was Luke Skywalker's father than knew which president was the first to be assassinated (Lincoln). Sixty-seven percent got the latter one wrong and even more (88 percent) didn't know which president was a famous actor (Reagan). The only two Fiction Writing majors to complete the survey were among 70 percent able to answer the most difficult question: Who wrote "Moby Dick"? (Herman Melville), while only 21 percent knew who wrote "Green Eggs and Ham (Dr. Suess).

One Television major said that the survey insulted students' intelligence. "This attempt to exploit ignorance displays an arrogance and complete contempt for fellow students which is beyond belief," he said.

New alcohol policy changes parties

Bates administrators have revised the College's alcohol policy in a move to lessen student and college liability during campus-wide parties. The new policy better complies with Maine state laws, said Dean of Students F. Celeste Branham last week in a presentation to resident coordinators and junior advisors. To this end, only a few select licensed caterers, and not students, can purchase and serve alcohol at student-sponsored campus-wide parties.

"It's not an issue of eliminating alcohol on campus," Branham said. The revisions are for the College "to reduce risk for all parties concerned," with regard to fines and jail time that could result if students and administrators break the law.

Some state laws and the definitive Bates College policy are outlined in the1997-98 handout on Drugs & Alcohol, which is available at this week's open forums and from resident coordinators and junior advisors.

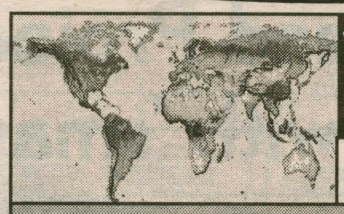
The new policy changes the rules that returning students were supposed to have followed in throwing and attending campus-wide parties in years past. Campus-wide (or all-campus) parties are defined as "social events for more than 50 people which are open to any member of the Bates community and their guests," according to the new policy. This is unchanged from last year.

Under last year's policy, campus-wide party sponsors could buy and dispense alcohol to legal drinkers, provided that the sponsors acted in accordance with state law and College policy. By the revised policy, student sponsors of campus-wide parties cannot tend bar at their own organization's functions. Nor can they subsidize the purchase of alcohol for parties.

It used to be a requirement for sponsors of campus-wide parties to sell tickets for parties where alcohol was served only in advance. This year, tickets can be bought and sold at the door.

Party sponsors can choose the most competitive caterer to run event's cash bar, from which caterers said they will sell the sponsors' chosen alcoholic and nonalcoholic drinks. Proper identification, such as a Maine state identification card or a driver's license, will be required at the bar. By state law and college policy, caterers have the right to refuse to serve students for reasons such as presentation of false identification or visible intoxication.

There are no drink limits at the bar per se, but bartenders will assess each person's level of intoxication when they decide whether or not to serve a customer.



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Albright: A Long Way to Go

RAMALLAH, West Bank (AP) — Secretary of State Madeleine Albright acknowledged today she had "a long way to go" in her efforts to revive the Middle East peace process after meeting with Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat.

"We have got agreement that terrorists are terrible, but we have not yet been able to see what the best methods are to get the peace process back on track," Albright said.

Arafat, speaking at a joint news conference after nearly three hours of talks with Albright, blamed Israel for the six-month impasse that jeopardizes the peace process. He pledged Palestinians would remain committed to the 4-year-old peace agreement.

"I want to reiterate that the Palestinian Authority will meet all its responsibilities, and I hope the Israeli government will do the same," he said. Arafat complained that Israel had failed to live up to its promise to withdraw from more of the West Bank and has built Jewish settlements on disputed land.

Albright, on her first trip to the region as secretary of state, made clear that her first priority remained ending the wave of terror attacks designed to destroy the peacemaking effort.

"The truth is clear: terror threatens the pursuit of peace, terror threatens the Palestinian Authority, and terror threatens the hopes of the Palestinian people," she said, urging a sustained Palestinian campaign to uproot the infrastructure of militant groups carrying out attacks.

Ireland Peace Talks Hit New Snag

BELFAST, Northern Ireland (AP) — Northern Ireland's peace talks hit a new snag today when the Irish Republican Army criticized its Sinn Fein allies for renouncing violence.

The IRA said it has "problems" with Sinn Fein's decision July 20 to formally stop its campaign of violence against British rule of Northern Ireland — a move that permitted Sinn Fein to join peace negotiations slated to resume Monday.

What Sinn Fein leaders do "is a matter for them. Their affirmation of these principles is quite compatible with their position," an unidentified IRA spokesman said in today's Republican News, the joint IRA-Sinn Fein newspaper.

The unexpected comments provoked criticism from leaders of Northern Ireland's pro-British Protestant majority, politicians who have been unwilling to meet with Sinn Fein for negotiations.

The IRA statement "reveals the farce of the present talks setup," said Nigel Dodds, a negotiator for the most hard-line pro-British party, the Democratic Unionists.

Sinn Fein's moderate rival for Catholic votes, the Social Democratic and Labor Party, also criticized the IRA statement. "Clearly it is cynical and disturbing," said Alex Attwood, one of the party's negotiators.

Scots Voting on New Parliament

EDINBURGH, Scotland (AP) — Scots voted today on creating their own Parliament — the biggest wrench from England in 290 years of union. Supporters promised greater autonomy, while opponents warned of disaster.

Prime Minister Tony Blair's Labor government, allied with independence-seeking Scottish nationalists in support of the separate Parliament, appeared certain of getting a "yes" vote from most of Scotland's nearly 4 million voters.

Polls opened at 7 a.m. (2 a.m EDT), with voting across Scotland, from populous Glasgow to the scattered Orkney Islands. Results were expected about midnight EDT.

"Today We Make History," the Edinburgh-based Scotsman newspaper declared, reflecting the apparent clear-cut support for the Parliament proposal.

But opinion polls indicated support wasn't as strong on a proposal to give tax-raising powers to the 129-member Edinburgh body.

Today's referendum culminated years of growing demands for a Scottish Parliament. Britain's Conservative Party, deeply unpopular north of border, inadvertently helped stoke the demands while in office and has apparently failed to dampen them since losing power May 1.

"The eyes of the world are upon us, waiting to see if we have the vision and the confidence in ourselves to cast a "Yes-Yes" vote for Scotland," Donald Dewar, Scottish secretary in Blair's Cabinet, said at a final campaign rally Wednesday.

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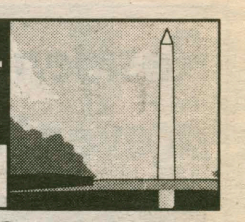

Army Upbraids Aberdeen General

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Army, responding to its series of sex harassment scandals, wants new recruits to learn "ethics and values" during an extra week of basic training. It also reprimanded the general in charge of the Maryland base where the scandals were first revealed.

Those moves were reported as the Army prepared to make public its largest-ever study of sex harassment in the service, which was prompted by last November's allegations of widespread sexual misconduct at the U.S. Army Ordnance Center in Aberdeen, Md.

Army Secretary Togo West and Gen. Dennis Reimer, the Army chief of staff, are scheduled to discuss the findings of that study, by a panel of past and current Army officials, and another on the same subject at the Pentagon today. Lawmakers were briefed late Wednesday.

West wants to add a week to the service's eight-week basic training course, said one senior officer, who spoke on condition of anonymity.

"They want to put the focus on ethics and values," the officer said, noting that top service officials believe they must respond to the harassment and misconduct problems reported at bases around the world.

Senate Blocks Tobacco Tax Break

WASHINGTON (AP) — With a single lopsided vote, the Senate scuttled a back-room tax break for the tobacco industry and sent a powerful message that approval of the industry's proposed settlement with the states is far from certain.

Wednesday's 95-3 vote would rescind a $50 billion tax break for the tobacco companies that had been slipped into the budget bill that was approved by Congress and signed by President Clinton over the summer. The tax provision was a symbol of the industry's longstanding lobbying clout.

While tobacco lobbyists still get another shot in the House — which must also vote to rescind the measure — the effect of Wednesday's vote was felt across Capitol Hill.

Critics hailed it as a turning of the tide against a once-powerful lobby. Defenders derided it as mere "tobacco bashing." And confusion reigned over just how Congress should address the larger issue, a proposed $368 billion national settlement.

"There are a lot of aspects of this that haven't even been touched on yet," said Sen. Mike Enzi, R-Wyo. Among unanswered questions were how much money would go to lawyers who worked out the deal, and whether tobacco companies should be able to claim money paid under the settlement as a tax-deductible business expense.

Under a deal worked out with state attorneys general, tobacco companies have agreed to pay $368.5 billion over 25 years to settle states' health claims against them. In return, the companies would get legal protections and limits on federal regulation of nicotine. To take effect, the deal must be blessed by Congress.

Senate Rules Used To Block Weld

WASHINGTON (AP) — William Weld is tilting at a Washington windmill in his campaign against the sometimes cranky ways of the Senate. Put to a vote, he'd almost surely be confirmed as ambassador to Mexico.

But the ranking Republican naysayer is saying nay, and blocking any action.

And while Weld says that for one man to stop a nominee without even a hearing is not the American way, it can be the Senate way.

Weld said at the outset that he doesn't play by Washington rules, and he has been demonstrating it for five months in his struggle to get past Sen. Jesse Helms, the cantankerous chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee.

Helms not only plays by those rules, he uses them to every advantage. So he has summoned the Senate parliamentarian to a committee meeting he grudgingly called for Friday because Weld's advocates forced it. He wants an expert witness on hand to explain why he can enforce his decision that "the Weld nomination will not be on the agenda."

That is bizarre by any but Senate reasoning. But it is the system Weld and his allies are bucking. The nominee and the chairman are both Republicans, but one is a moderate from Massachusetts, the other a conservative from North Carolina.

Residential Life works to wire in preventing housing shortage

PHOTO COURTESY HAMILTON COLLEGE

Even with the addition of 3940 Campus Road, several students remained homeless up until the start of the year.

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developing at Hamilton over the past few years.

More students are choosing to come back the fall semester compared to prior years as well as a decline in students choosing to go abroad either their junior or senior year. As of August 15th last year, 135 students were on approved leaves. As of August 15, 1997, the number had dropped to 121. That drop means that more students will be returning, thus requiring more rooms.

Approved leaves include deciding to take the semester off, going abroad on one of Hamilton's programs in Spain, France, Beijing or Washington or an approved alternative school's program.

Now that the room situations have run their course, Res Life is now faced with a new challenge as students, particually freshmen, are dissatisfied with their rooms or roommates and wish to move.

"A lot of people have come in to change their rooms," said Reed-Kantowitz. "But their is a two week freeze on room changes, and with good reasons. Firstly, their just are not a whole lot of rooms available to move into. Secondly, we hope that they can work any problems that they might face out between themselves. The Residential Advisors have has extensive training in this area and are well equipped to help in these situations."

Kirkland Project kicks off second year with 'smashing' jazz concert

By Danielle Phillips '01
NEWS STAFF WRITER

PHOTO BY SARA BRAINARD '01

Washington, True and Sneider perform in the Barn.

With raincoats and umbrellas in hand, more than 50 members of the Hamilton community attended the second annual "Smash" opening of he Kirkland Project for the Study of Gender, Society, and Culture.

The mission of the Kirkland Project is to explore questions and issues that emerge at the intersections of gender, race, class, and sexuality, according the Project's bulletin. Through its programs, the Project provides opportunities for dynamic intellectual discussion, interaction and exchange.

Nancy Rabinowitz, Coordinator of the Kirkland Project, described it as, "a grass roots group hoping to change the climate of the world by changing the climate here."

This year's "Smash" included the musical talents of jazz artists Jacque Tara Washington, Vikki True, and Peter Sneider. The trio perform with the show of "Soul Sisters" which portrayed the conflicts of Jewish Americans and African Americans during the Civil Rights movement. It will return to campus in February.

Sara Brainard '01 and Kaitlin Anne Nelson '01 said, "The music was very snappy and the project is a great was to get involved on campus with issues that need to be addressed."

The Project's fall calendar includes many lectures to be given by guest speakers on various topics from "Victorian Cleopatra: Amelia Edwards and the occupation of Egypt 1882-1885," to "Pedagogy and the Introduction of multicultural issues into American Art." There will also be films, readings and discussions organized by the sub-committees of the Project.

An important part of the Kirkland Project is the Student's Associates Program coordinated by Amy McDonald. Its fundamental pupose is to facilitate discussions about the intersections of gender, race, class, and sexuality between faculty and students. Many involved students agreed the opening the Project was an asset to the Hamilton community.

The Project brought to attention questions that have arisen about gender, sexuality race and class, and the fact that these questions remain unanswered. Through their efforts, the members hope that some begin to get answered.

Poet, civil rights activist Angelou to visit Hill

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benefit from her talents for turning for turning our national pluralisms into uniformities," he said. "She speaks directly to the history of this country — and to the individual histories of its inhabitants — with the uncompromising clarity and accessibility of her poetry and prose."

Nadia Sangster '00 echoed Professor Dorsey's praise: "words cannot even begin to fathom the true greatness of this phenomenal woman, her talk will be an event that no one should miss."

The topic of her talk on Wednesday, Oct. 22, at 7:30 p.m. in the Fieldhouse has not been determined, although it is likely that she will share some of her poetry. She will return to campus the next day to meet with a class and to answer questions about her work, her life and the issues that are important to her.

No admission will be charged and the public is invited to attend the talk Wednesday evening. In addition, there will be a lottery for students and employees who would like an invitation to the post-lecture reception.

The Great Names series is supported by a special endowed lecture fund established in 1995 as part of the Trustee's Res Life decision. Income from the fund covers most of the expenses associated with the event, including the honorarium and set up costs.

According to Director of Alumni Affairs Jennifer Hayes whose office is responsible for organizing the Great Names events, the selection process for speakers begins with the student body.

Last spring, the Campus Activities Board solicited nominations from the community and received hundreds of names including politicians and other public figures, visual and performing athletes, educators, writers and scientists. With previous speakers in mind, CAB submitted a short list, with Maya Angelou at the top, to President Tobin for review (her name was at the top not because her name begins with "A." but because she was their #1 choice). Ms. Hayes then began making calls to agents to determine the availability of those on the list.

Angelou's presentation in the Great Names series follows talks by Nobel Laureate Elie Wiesel, political strategists Mary Matalin and James Carville, and former Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff General Colin Powell.

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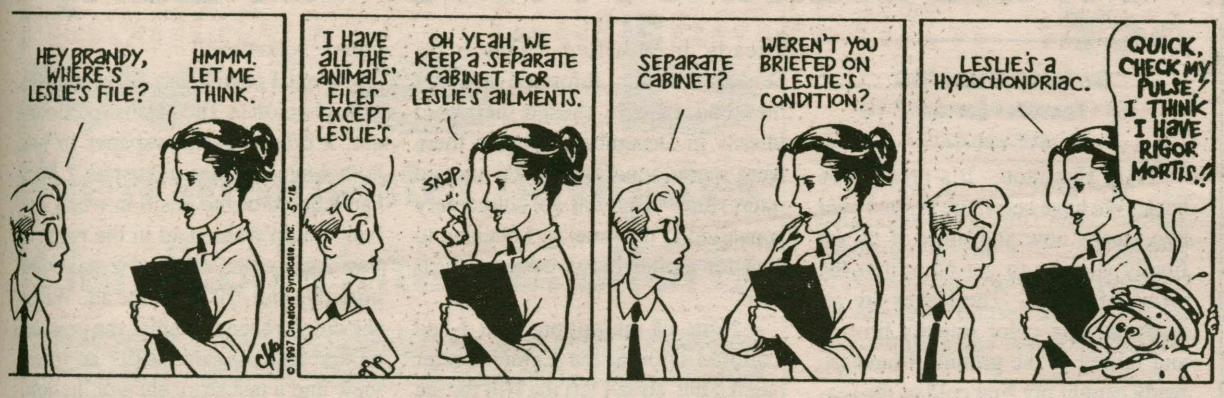
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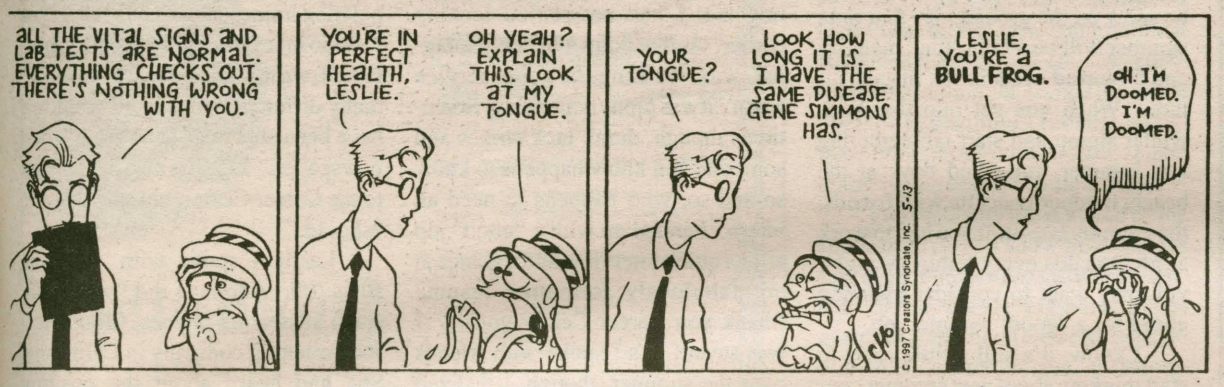
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WHO'S KHAN, SIR?
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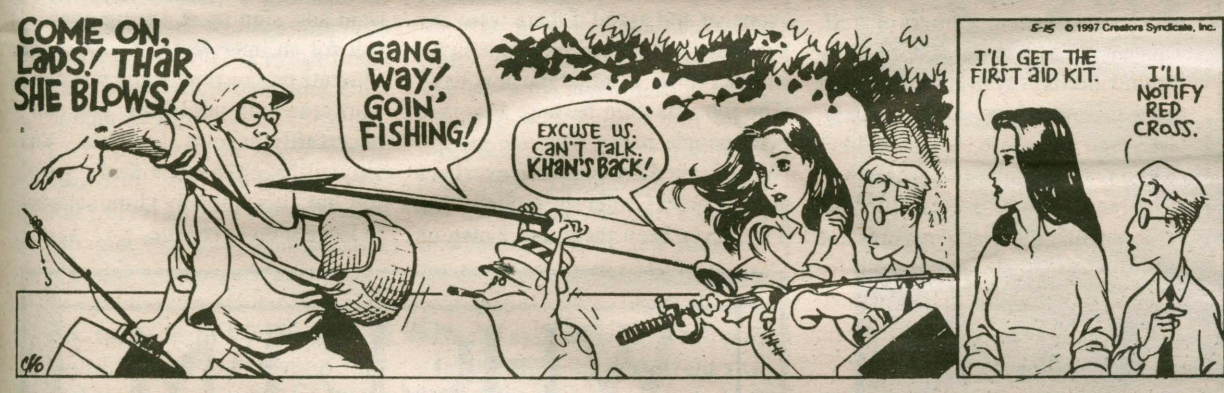
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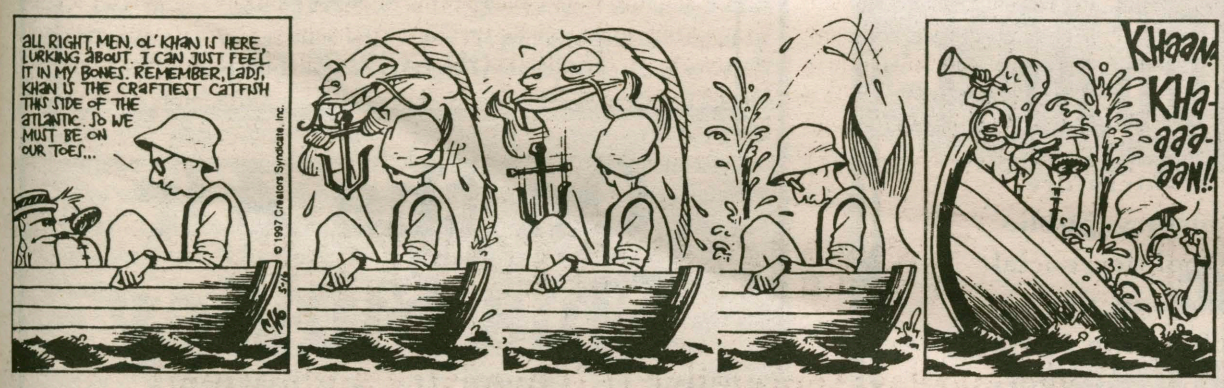
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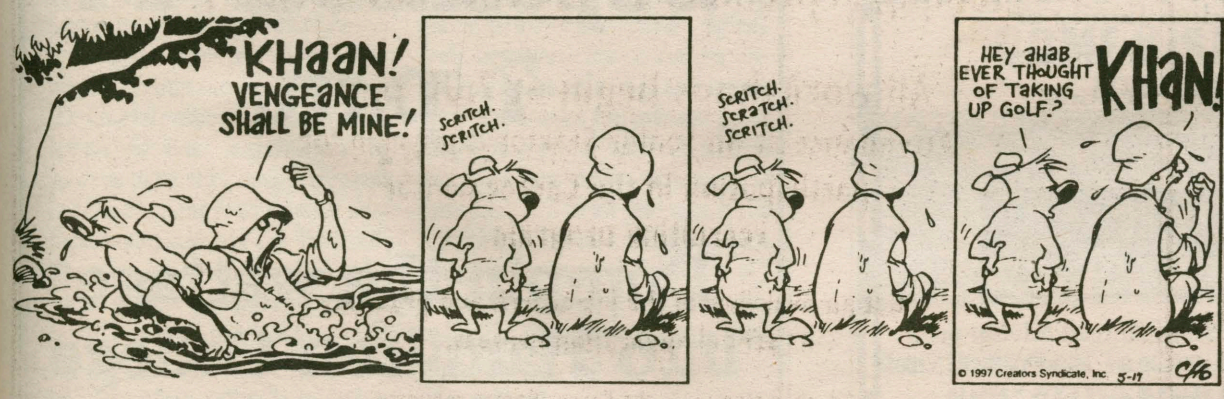
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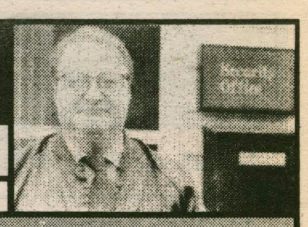

COMPILED BY JOE FREEMAN '00

SEPTEMBER 5

12:40 a.m.	A noise complaint caused Security to discover two incidents of alcohol violations at Griffin Rd. Apartments.
2:35 a.m.	A smoke detector was activated, causing the fire alarm to ring at Griffin Rd. Apartments.
1:28 p.m.	A laundry room service call caused a fire alarm in 3940 Campus Rd.
2:15 p.m.	Smoke caused the fire alarm to go off in Carnegie.
2:35 p.m.	Security responded to a fire alarm at Griffin Rd.
4:40 p.m.	A maintenance crew responded to a water complaint in Dunham.
4:40 p.m.	Pesky skateboarders were asked to leave the College campus after they were caught practicing their wicked art on the Burke Library steps.
8:05 p.m.	A loose smoke detector was the cause of a fire alarm in Bundy East.
10:25 p.m.	The Howard Diner reported a shady character perform a theft of service.
11:27 p.m.	Loose smoke detectors plagued South with a fire alarm.

SEPTEMBER 6

12:40 a.m.	Security responded to inappropriate behavior and a suspected violation of Social Space Guidelines in Bundy West.
10:15 a.m.	The work of vandals was discovered in South.
5:35 p.m.	A vehicular operator was reported to have caused mischief on College Hill Rd.
10:15 p.m.	A loose smoke detector triggered the fire alarm in Carnegie.
11:58 p.m.	HCEMS responded to a medical emergency in Dunham.

SEPTEMBER 7

12:20 a.m.	A detector malfunction caused the fire alarm to go off in Minor.
12:50 a.m.	HCEMS responded to a medical emergency in Carnegie.
12:53 a.m.	Security responded to a noise complaint in Milbank.
1:15 a.m.	HCEMS responded to a medical emergency in Bundy West.
3:48 a.m.	HCEMS responded to a medical emergency in Wallace Johnson.
1:25 p.m.	HCEMS responded to a medical emergency in Milbank.
5:22 p.m.	A loose detector triggered the fire alarm in Saunders.
5:30 p.m.	Security forces descended upon the Saunders House in an effort to control a firearms violation.
11:30 p.m.	Mysterious forces triggered the fire alarm in Dunham.

SEPTEMBER 8

9:50 a.m.	Early risers were charged with an alcohol violation in Wallace Johnson.
10:30 a.m.	The Levitt Public Affairs Center reported a larceny.
1:15 p.m.	Hubcaps were reported stolen off of a car in the Fieldhouse Lot.
9:25 p.m.	Miscreants vandalized a smoke detector in Babbitt, causing the fire alarm to go off.

SEPTEMBER 9

4:25 p.m.	The fire alarm was activated by a smoke detector in Saunders.
5:43 p.m.	HCEMS was dispatched to Love Field for a medical emergency.
10:52 p.m.	Security responded to a case of telephone harassment in Keehn.

SEPTEMBER 10

9:53 a.m.	The fire alarm treated the residents of Griffin Rd. to its melodious ring after a smoke detector was activated.
11:20 a.m.	Malevolent vandalism caused the fire alarm to go off in Dunham.
3:06 p.m.	Residents of the Griffin Rd. Apartments were again the recipients of a fire alarm caused by a smoke detector.

SEPTEMBER 11

1:20 a.m.	Rabble rousers vandalized areas of Carnegie.

RILEY'S

Occasional Ramblings

What I Did On My Summer Vacation

Getting a job is an ordeal that all of us have to go through at some point, but that none of us particularly relish. That's why we're all in college, because it's one of the few ways to delay entering the world of work after you're eighteen. A few other possible ways of avoiding entering this world include volunteering in the Peace Corps, putting off graduating from high school, and pretending to be in a coma.

Even though we're in college, though, most of us still need to go to the effort of finding a summer job. Most of my friends from home either had jobs waiting for them when they arrived back from college this summer, or ended up with jobs which were devised as tortures for wrong doings in past lives. However, they all used good coping skills to work through their experiences. For example, my friend Mike had a job this summer which involved working with one other person by scraping and painting a house. Mike figured out a way in which he could lie down and watch his co-worker without being seen by anyone; when he saw that his fellow painter was coming to check on him, Mike would leap up and paint furiously for about five minutes. By this time, his friend was back at his own section of the house, and Mike could go back to his near-comatose state (what did I *tell* you about comas? they work). Mike ended up being fired from his job, after he spent an entire week painting a single window frame. However, he had gained valuable job skills that he put to good use later, when he worked for his parents painting his own house. Mike was able to stretch the job of painting his house out for the entire summer, and catch up on his sleep for the entire year simultaneously.

Most of my friends gained valuable life skills from their summer jobs. My friend Bill was a bartender, my friend Anne was a lifeguard, and I learned how to make pizza. My job at a pizza parlor also taught me a lot about what not to look for in a potential employer--never work for a crackhead. My boss was like every stereotypical employer you will ever have, he made a lot of money from owning his business, but didn't really know a great deal about operating it. However, to justify his existence as a human being he would come in for a few nights each week and try to make his business run more efficiently. It was as if all his employees were his machines, and he was tinkering with us to squeeze a few more pennies out of our hours of production. He would also make a few shoddy attempts at making pizzas, which would make him even more worked up about his employees. "All right, guys, tonight it's going to be all about speed-I want you to do everything as quickly as you possibly can. And don't stop working unless you're on break-if you don't have anything to do, find something to do. "After a month of this, I quit over the phone, during the busiest part of the summer, and learned another important skill for the job world-leaving it.

On the Hunt: It's Never too Early

By Sarah Byrne '00
Features Editor

Ah, Hamilton. It's great to be back. We have been here for just over two weeks now and most of us are finally starting to get back into the swing of things. The leaves are already turning color (mostly brown) and falling to the ground, I have already caught my first cold of the season, and before you know it, there will be snow on the ground. By that time summer will be a faint, fond memory and a blurred oasis in the distant future. When you get into that mid-winter slump and start remembering last summer, fun-filled days at the beach, outdoor concerts with friends, the crummy late-shift you had to work at McDonalds every Saturday night, you may want to consider planning ahead for a "good" summer job.

I know, it's still a little early to start thinking about next summer considering that we just got here, but truthfully it's never too early to start planning (or at least thinking). If you are interested in planning for a summer job, we happen to have a very good resource here at Hamilton, the Career Center. Not many people that I have spoken to have ever been there, or even know where it is for that matter (it's diagonally across the street from ELS). I have been to the Career Center a few times; there are many resources in the Center, from resume style sheets to books upon books of job listings. Any Hamilton student may make an appointment to discuss career goals or to go over a resume with trained student workers or staff. This can be very helpful, especially for students like myself that may want to obtain internships. Unfortunately, last year I got a late start and didn't send out any resumes until March or April, and by that time many of the positions that I was applying for had already been filled. One state Senator's staffer informed me that they had actually chosen their paid interns in December, but that there were many opportunities for unpaid internships. That did not sound very appealing at the time, so I decided to wait for replies to my other applications.

None of the options that I had explored through the Career Center panned out, so as I left the Hill for the summer I was still jobless and regretting that I had not started looking earlier. At that point all I could imagine was working in food service again...it was pretty depressing. Sometimes though, dumb luck strikes and someone you know happens to know so-and-so, who happens to need an intern. I ended up with a "good" job after a quick interview and a glance at my fabulously formatted resume (thank you Career Center gods!). I was saved! As I spoke with friends over the summer, though, I realized that it wasn't just me...none of them had secured summer jobs before getting home.

I was dumbfounded. I thought that you needed a resume, cover letters, fancy stationary and a lot of planning to get a "good" job. None of my friends had ever even been to the Career Center before! I decided to ask them how they had gotten such "good" jobs.

My first mini interview was with Zoe Kostoss '00. Zoe landed a job giving tours at Gillette Castle State Park in Connecticut. She'd heard about the position because, "Some friends worked there. I called the manager and asked if there were any openings and he had me come in for an interview. I started the next day." The job was "fun because I worked with people in my own age group." When I asked Zoe if she had ever been to the Career Center she replied, "No, I've never been there, but I plan on going...sometime."

Next I asked Lisa Sussman '00 about her job at The Mainstreet Journal, a brand-new newspaper in her hometown in Massachusetts. Lisa had learned of the position when she read a help wanted ad in the paper's first issue. She decided to take the initiative and call about the ad. When she didn't receive a reply, she pressed on and called again. After an interview and a test story she got the job. Lisa told me that she enjoyed the position immensely because she, "got to do so many things: copy edit, proof, layout, write stories. I just got to do so many different things that I wouldn't have been able to do at an established newspaper." Lisa has also never been to the Career Center, but said that she "should."

Lastly I spoke with Adrienne Bliss '00. Adreinne did "secretarial stuff: answering phones, filing, etc." for a trucking company in California. She had heard about the position through the Temp agency that she had signed up for upon arriving home for the summer. She also enjoyed her job because of the "cool people" with whom she worked. Again, Adrienne has not been to the Career Center.

So is the Career Center a waste of time? No. Definitely not. It can be a starting point to get a resume and cover letter written or to find some contacts which may eventually get you that "dream job" for next summer. What I've found by talking to people that did get gainful employment that they also enjoyed, was that it's up to you. What I mean, is *that you* need to talk to people, look through want ads, sign up at a temp agency, call for an interview. If you're the ultimate procrastinator and you don't start searching until May, you don't necessarily have to stress out. You may still have a chance to find a "good" job, but...it's probably a little safer not to leave it up to chance.

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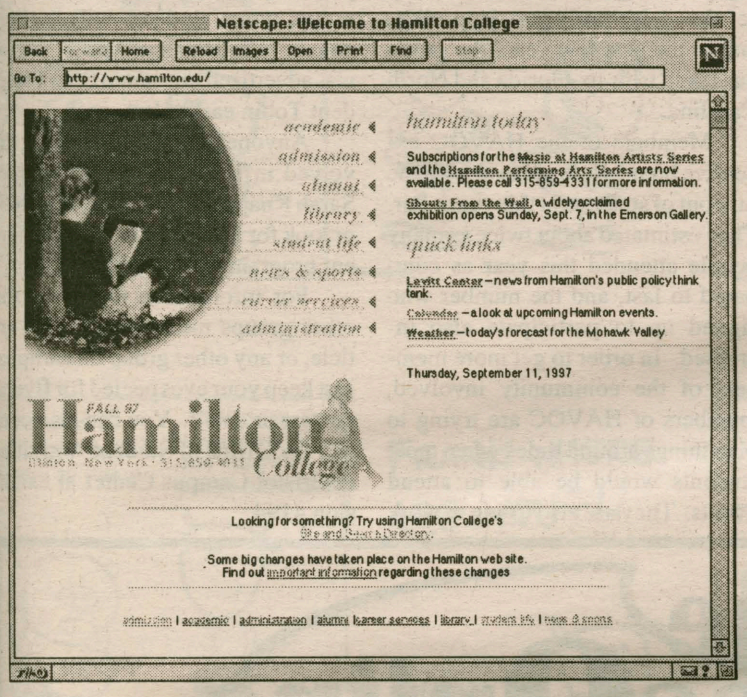
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By Clara McAuley '00
Features Writer

To the incoming students this year our web page appears to be creative and even original. But what many do not realize is that Hamilton's site underwent extensive improvement this summer. Under the expert guidance of Tom Spicer, a graduate of Buffalo State College and who holds an M.B.A. in urban planning and design from the University of Buffalo, led the team. In collaboration with Chris Leonardi '98, Jon Marcel '99, Rachel Hallman '98, Evans Mbugua '99, and Waltnel Sosa '00, our web page's image was transformed from a mundane index to a directory filled with multitudes of information unified in a user-friendly context by current and cohesive designs.

One of the main objectives of this revision is that sites will look more unified. That is to say that users should find it easier to figure out what site they are in based on the design, picture, or image that appears on the page. Previously, sites under the "Admissions" and "Chemistry Department," for example, were so remote from each other that a user could easily forget what site she or he was looking at.

The team first considered the varied population that would be using the web page in an effort to determine how to most efficiently design the sites. To do so they had to take into account all levels of user experience to accomodate the inexperienced user and to improve overall services available via the Internet. The new system boasts the ability to locate information more readily based on its layout and appearance. The consistent feel helps to unify subjects by using elements of design that are employed throughout the site.

Spicer emphasized the importance of Internet use. He used the example of information on the web versus printed material. Newspapers and magazines often share a lag time of a day or more, whereas current events can be found almost as soon as they occur on the web.

The new web site was officially launched on August 31st. The team has been hard at work since early July and is still in the process of reinventing Hamilton's home page. Though Spicer would not divulge the secretive details of what some of the new sites will eventually look like, he did suggest that the pages will be thematic. Seasonal images will play a large part in the look of the site. This will be done to keep it fresh and contemporary.

Spicer says, "We've only begun the process because we keep having to adapt it to the new available technologies. Based on the nature of the web, which is not static, we are forced to evolve with it." The idea is to ultimately make the site as innovative and helpful as possible for both students and faculty.

Spicer and his team are very enthusiastic about the future of the new site. It is amazing to think of the leaps and bounds this service has made in the past four years, prior to Netscape. Spicer feels that there are countless opportunities in this field and hopes people will take full advantage of them. In a sector where the rules are rewritten daily, anything is possible. So, to all you who have not yet seen the new and improved Hamilton web page, check it out and find out how it can save you valuable time and provide you with current, up to the minute information.

FACES IN THE CROWD

Yao Odamtten '98

By Shauna Wreschner '00
Features Writer

If you are unsure of who Yao Odamtten '98 is, just stand outside Keehn Co-op and follow the sounds of Billie Holiday and you'll find him. He describes himself as "the one always smiling and laughing," and it's true.

Yao's most recent accomplishment and lasting contribution to Hamilton is the new International Relations (I.R.) Group. He, along with Meghan Hallock '98, started the group over the past summer because he felt that, "We [Hamilton students] had many resources not being utilized."

Yao feels that the purpose of the I.R. Group is, "To show how various disciplines help make the world run." One of the weekly segments of the group consists of an exercise entitled N.E.W.S. The letters stand for North, South, East and West; each week the group discusses a "tid bit" of news from each of these corners of the globe. Aside from exercises, the group invites professors to speak on projects they are working on which in some way deal with international relations.

Although the group is not currently funded by the college that has not stopped Yao from inviting speakers from the United Nations, and presidents of various countries, such as Bulgaria, to come and speak at Hamilton. Yao is not worried about the funding aspect of the group; the president of Bulgaria and other speakers have agreed to come and speak free of charge.

The first big event on the agenda is the Crisis Simulation in October. The event is a simulation of the relationship between Turkey and Kurdistan. The exercise involves role playing where students study the role of delegates, and then, on the day of the event are locked in KJ and given a crisis that they must deal with as real delegates would. Yao feels this type of role playing is important for students interested in foreign service or the relationships between nations.

> "Why not ask, the answer is either 'yes' or 'no.'

His "other life" as Yao calls it, is dance. Yao has taken several dance classes at the College and has been in "too many performances to count" here on the Hill. He considers dance one of his loves because, "Dance is the universal language and a wonderful way to communicate." While he is no longer considering taking on Dance as a second major (in addition to World Politics), Yao still considers it his favorite mode of non-verbal expression.

Yao also considers working with children a very important part of his life. One of his most memorable experiences involved working as a counselor in the John Hopkins C.T.Y. program on the Hamilton campus. When asked why he returned to the program this year he answered, "The kids keep me coming back. By my second week I was having a phenomenal experience. You feel like a surrogate parent and friend; its wonderful."

Yao hopes to have a successful career in foreign service, perhaps diplomacy; he would also like to continue dancing and to have children somehow involved in his life.

When asked what idea, if any, he would like to leave to the future generations at Hamilton, Yao replied, "If there is anything in the world you want, just put your heart, your mind, your soul into it and trust me, you will get it.

"When people found out I got the Bulgarian President [to speak], and free of charge; they were shocked. Why not ask, the answer is either 'yes' or 'no'. If the say 'no', its 'no'. If they say 'yes', then more power to you. Anything is attainable if you ask for it." And, he added, "There is nothing so strong as true beauty, there is nothing so beautiful as true strength."

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Getting involved: Making a difference on and off the Hill

By Kristen Holderle '00
Features Writer

The college experience involves more than going to classes, reading books and writing papers. The way people spend their free time makes a great impression on both their experience here at Hamilton, and on their impression of the outside world. This week students had an opportunity to learn about what they can get involved in at Hamilton to make their experience here more complete and enjoyable. Over the weekend there was an Activities Fair where students got a taste of the many different organizations and clubs available to them. This event was followed up on Tuesday by a fair sponsored by HAVOC, which was more focused on getting people involved in the community at large.

At the activities fair each of Hamilton's clubs and organizations set up a table where students could find out information about the goals of the organization, and, if interested sign up to participate in the events they had to offer. There was something for just about everyone, ranging from the Outing Club to Christian Fellowship, HEAG to the Hamilton College Democrats, student media and government. For those interested in getting involved in the planning of social events on campus the Campus Activities Board (CAB) had a table where students could get information about upcoming events and meetings. The Residence Hall Council (RHC), a program run out of the Office of Residential Life, gives students an opportunity to have a say in the housing policies and guidelines in Residence Halls on campus. Members of RHC are also responsible for coordinating the housing lottery process, an event which causes much anxiety among students during the month of May. In addition to campus sponsored groups and activities, local vendors and merchants also had tables set up where they could inform students about the services which their stores or companies have to offer.

For students interested in volunteering, the HAVOC Open House was the place to go. HAVOC, the Hamilton Action Volunteer Outreach Coalition, is the campus organization which works to get students involved in the community through various service projects. Inside the Events Barn on Tuesday afternoon, students had the opportunity to learn about the different organizations set up to help people around the Clinton and Utica area. The time commitment required from students depends on the type of project, and can range from one afternoon to a few hours a week.

Some of the most popular volunteer projects include Habitat for Humanity and the Utica Tutorial. Habitat for Humanity is an organization in which students, along with other volunteers from Utica, help build houses for low income families. The houses are constructed with volunteered labor and supplies, so the program is very much dependent on others. The Utica Tutorial is a program which meets one afternoon a week for two hours and brings children from Utica to Hamilton, where they spend time doing work and playing with other children. Many of the projects which HAVOC sponsors consist of working with children in one way or another, whether it involves tutoring, mentoring, or helping out in classrooms in the Clinton School District.

Other projects sponsored by HAVOC include going to local soup kitchens or nursing homes to help those who are lonely or less fortunte. Many Students participate in and raise money for walk-a-thons and other sponsored events in the area.

Every spring, HAVOC's major project is Alternative Spring Break. This program allows students the opportunity to engage in volunteer service work during the first week of Spring Break. Trips are planned to various places along the east coast, and students spend a week working with local service organizations. The goal of this project is to increase the participants' awareness and concern for social issues as well as generating a life-long interest in community service. It is a fairly popular project, and in the past few years the group has taken trips to Florida and North Carolina.

Members of the HAVOC executive board were pleased with the turn out of students at this year's fair. They estimated about twice as many people attended this year as compared to last, and the number who signed up to participate also increased. In order to get more members of the community involved, members of HAVOC are trying to plan things around times when most students would be able to attend events. They are also trying to work with some of the sports teams to get them involved in some sort of group activity, as many athletes are unable to make the same time commitment as others due to their sport.

For students looking to get involved and volunteer their time, there are many programs available to them starting this Fall. The first HAVOC project underway this fall is this Saturday, when students will participate in "Christmas in April," which was advertized in a memo from President Tobin earlier last week.

Anyone interested in getting involved in HAVOC should contact Sarah Knapp, the Director, at x1263, or look for information about different programs in the Daily Bull.

For information regarding the other groups mentioned in this article, or any other group on campus, just keep your eyes peeled for flyers, posters or email. You can also contact the Office of Student Activities in Bristol Campus Center at extension 4194.

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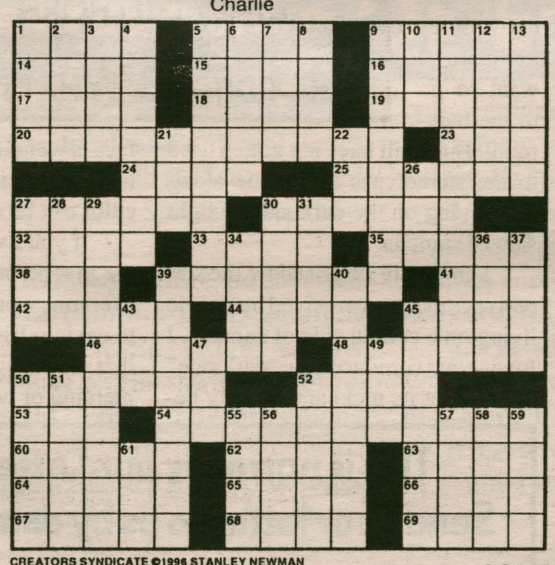

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-Anonymous

"Our conversations are so ridiculous because neither of us tells the truth about anything!"
-Jody Steinhilber '99

"I wouldn't serve that to my dog!"
-Overheard in Commons

PERSONALS

Jaimee -

Happy 20th Birthday! We hope you have a wonderful day...you deserve the best! Good luck in your rugby game this weekend!

Love,
Melisa, Karen, Alison, Briana

Max -

I think you are really hot, but you shouid go a little easier on the makeup. Maybe a lighter shade of brown would look better on you. By the way, showering every now and then would get all that makeup off.

- Cover Girl

Good luck to the Volleyball Team in their first home game this weekend!

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EDITORIAL

Take off our Pampers

Part of growing up is learning how to fend for yourself out in the real world. Each of us needs food on the table, a roof over our head, electricity and some money in the bank in case something goes wrong. Here at Hamilton, we are only sheltered.

With the closing of society houses, the need to take care of oneself became nullified. While most of us agree that the Residential Life plan provided our campus with a system of equal residential and social opportunities, it neglected to address a key component of the college experience enjoyed by most students around the nation. Whether a student at another institution lives in an on-campus house (such as a society or special interest house) or in off-campus accomodations, he/she is responsible for assuring that food is available, that the property is maintained and that the utilities are covered.

If the College becomes entirely residential, students will basically be living in hotels. Already we have a maintenance staff cleaning our messes and Bon Appetit to plan our meals. We leave our lights on and take 20 minute steaming showers. No one has to worry about the water going cold or the lights going off at the end of the month because it is all included in our total cost of attending Hamilton.

The solution is simple: turn existing "specialty housing" such as Rogers, 3950 Campus Road and other properties that may come under College ownership into dining societies. These could be co-ed groups, perhaps sharing a common interest, that would be required to take care of their space. Give the residents a budget to keep the facility running and allow them the opportunity to be responsible adults, not pampered children.

The way to chalk

The HAVOC organization should be condemned for its selfish defacement of walkways all over campus in the name of an advertisement. While the community has tolerated chalkings, last April's reaction to an incident of hate speech indicated that a clearer definition of matters that warrant such widespread and provocative voicing is in order.

Last year the community needed to be shocked into the frightful realization that hatred and malicious intolerance exist here. The chalkings were a rude and necessary awakening to this sad fact, and the severity of the letter was spread with equal intensity over the campus for all to see. Such a matter is worthy of the publicity that chalking confers.

The mission and integrity of HAVOC are not under question here, rather their use of Martin's Way as a personal bulletin board. Advertising HAVOC's open house is not an issue that mandates such exposure, and it deflates the ability of chalkings to make their desired impact. Groups should think twice about what they chalk, as campus walkways are not substitutes to the Daily Bull, flyers, e-mails or postings. Hamilton's campus is one of its most cherished assets, and only the gravest of circumstances should ever warrant its defacement.

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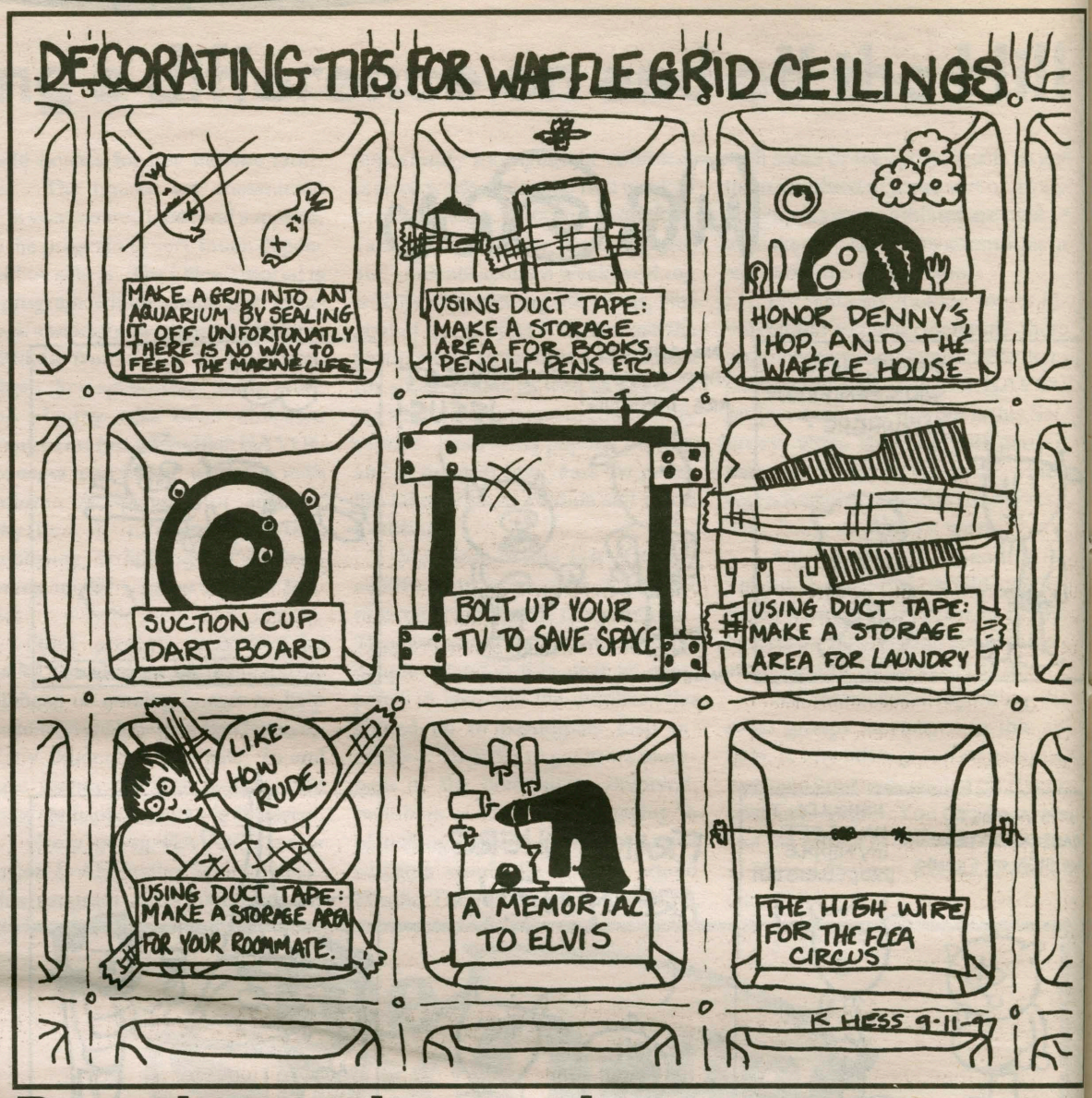
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Breaking down the stereotypes: The light side and the dark side

EMILY MELHORN
ABSURDITIES & WHAT NOT

When I came to Hamilton last October for an open house, no one told me about the dark side and light side of campus. I did not even know that the dark side existed; the tour guide showed us around the pretty, stone buildings (I find it amusing that the guides showed us a South dorm as a model of the typical Hamilton dorm room) but I never saw the impersonal, cube-like building with cement waffle ceilings in which I now reside (I have also noticed that our guides never showed us the communal bathrooms we must now share with 10 other people or told us how much fun it was to share a television with 40 other people).

But I am getting used to life at Hamilton. I accept that I have to walk 10 minutes to get to my classes or the library and that I need to get on the Jitney if I want to go to the college bookstore (And heaven forbid, if I should leave something in my room and have to go back and get it). I accept that I have to put on shoes anytime I want to go to the bathroom. But I still have not gotten used to the stereotypes that come along with living on the dark side or light side of campus.

I am really surprised by the stereotypes that are perceived by people living on a certain side of campus. I for one, am convinced the "dark side" did not get its nickname simply because it is prone to lose power over the winter. If you are a dark sider, you are an artsy-fartsy, intellectual snob. If you are a light sider, you live in the land of bunnies and sunshine and are forever adorned in J.Crew apparel. If you live on the dark side, you sit under trees and write poetry that comtemplates the meaning of life. You wear shoes that do not match, your face is weighed down by body piercing, and there is no way your hair color can be natural.

If you live on the light side, you are in a perpetual drunken bliss and everyone wonders how you managed to get into Hamilton. I am not saying that anything is wrong with body piercing or wearing J.Crew, but it is unfair to make presumptions o people you do not even know. I brings us all back to the Jr. High level, which I thought I came to col lege to get away from. I still feel like I am trespassing anytime I enter onto the light side of campus, like it is no a part of my campus and I should no be over there.

This is not as much of a problem for upperclassmen. They choose who they live with, and everyone pretty much gets to know each other through the years. But for first-years it is harder. It is not fair to put a label o people when everyone is still getting to know each other. Housing ma have chosen the people living i dorms by similar personality traits but it is not fair to say that the dar side is like this, or the light side is lik that. It is not about "sides", can't w all just live in harmony?

This is normally our Letters section. It's your space to fill.
Send your letter to us by campus mail or to spec@hamilton.edu

Deciding to care about something

CHRIS MACHERA
SAYS WHO?

What do we believe in? What do we believe in as students, as adults, as Americans, as men, as women? This is a question which most of us have heard before, maybe several times; so can anybody answer it?

In the '60s, everyone our age could not only answer this question, but could probably go on for days with a rambling, yet substantial, answer. They believed in freedom and peace and all of the fun stuff. Kids look back on bell bottoms and laugh at the idea that our parents were a part of that generation, but I am proud that my parents stood up for what they believed in at my age. I am impressed that they knew what they believed in.

Of course, it was much easier to figure out what you believed in in the face of a senseless war and a stubborn government, but do you think that we would do the same if we were there? Could you see the kid who hasn't said a word yet in Persuasive Argument class burning a flag in the Quad? Do you think that kids who don't have enough drive to do the reading for their classes would read about communism and politics on their own time? I am not sure that I do.

Furthermore, I would argue that despite our increasingly shallow society, there are still things to stand up for and things to fight against. For instance, fraternity houses were taken away here several years ago. With the backing of the alumni and the board of trustees, I don't see how there was not enough student action to stop this from happening. If every student who believed in the greek system had acted on their beliefs, there is no way that houses would have been taken away.

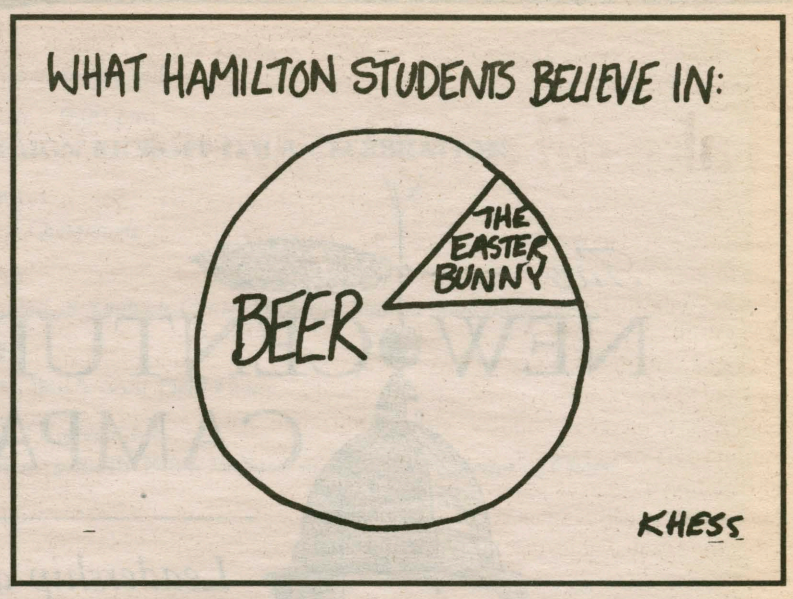
I do not, however, intend on making some big point about the infamous Residential Life Decision. What I am saying is that not only does this campus, and our generation as whole, not stand for anything, but even when a situation arises where we are begged to fight and show we care, we are relatively unresponsive. I include myself. There are many times when I felt like taking action against something that I thought was unfair and I did not act. I am conscious, though, of this problem and I am in the process of grouping together a set of beliefs which I would be willing to fight for.

I really think that everyone on this campus owes it to themselves to do the same. I do not want to sound self-righteous; I am sure that there are many students here who have done a lot more to help out causes they believe in than I have. I applaud those students. We should all have sincere admiration for those students and strive for what they have.

Then again, it is not our generation or us, per say, who are to blame. Our society as a whole is the problem. The same kids who were so vocal in the sixties really have not had anything to say since the seventies. Politicians squabble over inconsequential bills and impressively manage to produce no original or intelligent beliefs whatsoever. We have grown up into a society where you are pretty much encouraged to believe in nothing. Recent events which have stirred up the most emotions from Americans never should have gotten anywhere further than the back pages of the tabloids.

If our generation actually did evolve into one which had something to say, we would be breaking the modern American mold and be setting the example for those younger and older than us. For every new 64 bit video game system and talk show host, we sink into a deeper pit of complete apathy and weakness. We can be strong. It would be completely contradictory to the way we have been raised, but we could do it if we looked in the mirror and decided that we care about something.

Maybe you firmly believe that we should be able to use our meal card for breakfast at three in the afternoon. Maybe you believe that there should be more minority students here. Maybe you believe that we should observe national holidays. Whatever you believe in, believe in something.



'Dam' trouble: History proves taming nature is 'dam' difficult

PETER KELLY
REASONABLE RESOLUTIONS

Environmentalists are often justly criticized for being anti-everything, and for ignoring local circumstances. What could be more tiresomely predictable than the reaction of Greenpeace to the latest megadam?

But don't assume Greenpeacers alone oppose dams. In fact, few in the West still favor big dam projects. Like other attempts to tame nature, the dam-building frenzy hasn't lived up to expectations. We've learned the hard way that the answers to some simple questions are less obvious than we'd thought.

1. Do dams save lives and crops by preventing floods? Most of the time, dams do hold back floodwaters, but don't count on it. Floodplain dwellers downstream of dams still live in danger of overflows or breakage, and the stakes are getting higher. If it seems as though every year brings a widespread "100-year" flood, that's because floods are on the increase. No wonder. Over the last century, U.S. rainfall has increased 5%, and more of it has come in sudden showers—events that are predicted results of global warming. Proven human causes of floods include funneling by levees, as well as deforestation (as in Bangladesh), which can also fill reservoirs with eroded sediment.

The huge weight of water behind large dams often increases the magnitude of earthquakes, which threaten to break dams and set off devastating flash floods. Large dams are also tempting military targets; observers say that Israel's ability to destroy Egypt's Aswan Dam was crucial to the outcome of negotiations between the two countries.

We have better ways to control flood damage—building on higher ground being the most obvious. Short of that, reforestation and small dams are good alternatives to mammoth dams.

2. Do dams help feed the world by storing irrigation water for dry seasons? Not really. For one thing, irrigation water is often used for water-intensive cash crops like cotton and tobacco. In Central Asia, the costs of diverting water to grow cotton have been astronomical: the Aral Sea, once the world's fourth largest freshwater lake, has now lost 70% of its volume. Two major fishing villages, once employing 60,000, have become ghost towns, and salt blown from the dried-up lakebed has affected areas hundreds of miles away.

Even when irrigation water is used on food crops, it doesn't always increase total harvests sustainably. A study of the Aswan Dam found that agricultural land flooded by the dam's reservoir exceeded land irrigated by the dam's water. For now, the new land is more productive, but this situation is probably not sustainable. Before the dam, the annual flooding of the Nile (which was so predictable that it formed the basis for the first calendars) provided irrigation. As added benefits, the annual flood brought nutrient-rich silt and washed away trace salts left by the previous year's evaporation. Now the silt is trapped by the dam, and the salts are building up, a virtually irreversible process. Making irrigation more efficient slows salinization and is certainly cheaper than building new dams.

3. Are dams a nonpolluting, inexpensive, and sustainable source of hydroelectricity? Hydroelectric power sounds attractive. During normal operation, it releases no pollution, costs very little, and coordinates well with renewable energy sources like wind and solar. Unlike coal or nuclear plants, hydroelectric plants can be turned on and off instantly to meet peak daytime demand, or to store energy for when the wind isn't blowing or when the sun isn't shining. In less developed countries, where most new dams are being built, the alternative is often coal-fired plants even more polluting than those in the West.

Unfortunately, hydropower is really neither cheap nor sustainable for most sites. Construction costs are high, and are a major contributor to the Third World debt crisis. In developed countries, most of the inexpensive sites for large dams (i.e., places with a steep, narrow gorge) have already been dammed. The cheapest ways to get more hydropower are to upgrade existing dams with more efficient turbines and to reopen abandoned small-scale plants, not to build large dams.

Nor is hydroelectricity truly renewable. As muddy river water enters a reservoir, the suspended sediment settles out, eventually filling in the reservoir. Erosion from deforested areas and croplands has added to the problem. The root of the problem is that reservoirs, unlike lakes, have no natural deepening processes to slow sedimentation.

4. Are dam reservoirs valuable for recreation and fishing? The land a dam floods, typically a canyon in which the dam was built and a floodplain behind that, often had great scenic and recreational value. For example, the Hetch Hetchy Valley was a virtual twin of the Yosemite Valley. For better or worse, the former valley would probably be clogged with tourists had it not been flooded by a controversial turn-of-the-century dam. And a reservoir is not a lake. As operators store and release water, water levels vary so much that wetland and shallow-water communities can't form at the edge of reservoirs. As for fishing, dams themselves block migratory fish like salmon from getting upstream, while blocking nutrient-rich silt from getting downstream to feed aquatic plants—all to the detriment of pre-existing fisheries.

Good planning and design, from building a series of pools for migratory fish ("a fish ladder") to building in extra strength to resist earthquakes, can help alleviate some of these problems. But in many cases, not building the dam in the first place is the best solution.

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The NEW CENTURY CAMPAIGN

Leadership and Vision for the Liberal Arts

Next weekend, September 19-21, the Hamilton community will officially kickoff The New Century Campaign. Through this effort, we will increase the College's endowment, our growing source of strength; bolster support for students, to provide unparalleled educational opportunities; foster the work of our teaching scholars as they follow new lines of inquiry; and build upon the facilities, especially those in the sciences.

To mark this special moment in Hamilton's history, a wide variety of events have been scheduled throughout the weekend. We invite your participation as we pay tribute to those, especially the faculty, who have helped make this College one of the finest in the nation. Please join your classmates and friends in celebrating Hamilton's past, present and future.

FRIDAY, September 19

by special invitation only

1:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.
FACULTY PANEL DISCUSSION AND LUNCHEON — The Arts and Sciences of Teaching at Hamilton
Bristol Campus Center Terrace

Moderator:
David C. Paris '71, *Acting Dean of the Faculty and James S. Sherman Professor of Government*
Carl A. Rubino, *Edward North Professor of Classics*
Edith Toegel, *Associate Professor of German*
Daniel F. Chambliss, *Sidney Wertimer Professor of Sociology*
L. Ella Gant, *Associate Professor of Art*
Sue Ann Miller, *Professor of Biology*

2:30 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.
NAMED PROFESSORSHIP INVESTITURE CEREMONY — Honoring Hamilton's distinguished faculty members
Chapel

Speaker:
Austin E. Briggs, Jr., *Hamilton B. Tompkins Professor of English*

4:15 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
HAMILTON'S ENDOWMENT
Dwight Lounge, Bristol Campus Center

Discussion of Hamilton's Endowment Led by:
Lee C. Garcia '67, *Trustee*
Ralph E. Hansmann '40, *Life Trustee*
Daniel J. O'Leary P'92,95, *Vice President, Administration and Finance*
Keith S. Wellin '50, *Life Trustee*

by special invitation only

6:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
THE HELEN AND DOANE COMST[illegible]CK '27 MEMORIAL DINNER IN CELEBRA[illegible]ON OF STUDENT SCHOLARSHIPS
Western Quadrangle

Speaker:
Gerald V. Dirvin '59, *Trustee*

9:00 p.m.
AN EVENING OF JAZZ — Musicians: Kenny Davern (clarinet), Bob Rosengarden (drums), Bob Haggart (bass), Ralph Sutton (piano), Dan Barrett (trombone and trumpet), Joe Wilder (trumpet)
Milton F. Fillius, Jr. Events Barn

SATURDAY, September 20

8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.
CAMPAIGN INFORMATION SESSION FOR ALL HAMILTON VOLUNTEERS (Breakfast Meeting)
Dwight Lounge, Bristol Campus Center

Host:
Jeff Little '71, *Campaign Chair and Trustee*

9:15 a.m. - 10:45 a.m.
THE SCIENCES AT HAMILTON IN THE NEW CENTURY — Breaking the Science Barrier: The Importance of Science
Science Auditorium

Guest Speaker:
Sheila Tobias, The Research Corporation, A Foundation for the Advancement of Science

Discussion of Hamilton's Plans for the Sciences Led by:
Douglas A. Weldon, *Stone Professor of Psychology and Science Curriculum and Facilities Coordinator*

11:00 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.
ATTEND A HAMILTON CLASS

"Milton and Moral Education"
Margaret O. Thickstun, *Associate Professor of English*
Root 203
"Buddhist Worlds in the U.S.A."
Richard Hughes Seager, *Assistant Professor of Religious Studies*
Kirner-Johnson Red Pit (Room 106)
"The American Political Process: Is the Separation of Powers Obsolete?"
Theodore J. Eismeier, *Professor of Government*
List 106
"Geology and Development of Modern Africa"
Barbara J. Tewksbury, *Stephen Harper Kirner Professor of Geology*
Science Auditorium
Open Rehearsal of the College Choir
G. Roberts Kolb P'99, *Professor of Music and Director of Choral Music*
Schambach 201
Open Rehearsal of the Dance Program
Elaine Heekin and **Bruce Walczyk**, *Associate Professors of Dance*
List Dance Studio
"The Spanish Civil War: A Clash of Revolutionary Ideologies"
Esther S. Kanipe, *Professor of History*
Emerson Gallery
"Unraveling Greenspan"
Sidney Wertimer, *Professor of Economics, Emeritus*
Kirner-Johnson Auditorium
Poster Presentations by Science Students
Science Building

12:15 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.
ALL CAMPUS COOKOUT
Western Quadrangle

1:30 p.m.
FOOTBALL VS. AMHERST — Halftime presentation of the 1996-97 Annual Fund Awards
Steuben Field

2:00 p.m. - 3:15 p.m.
THE NEXT GENERATION OF ALUMNI CAREER SERVICES
Kirner-Johnson Red Pit (Room 106)

Eugene A. Roche '71, *Director, Maurice Horowitch Career Center*

BUILDING DIVERSITY AND COMMUNITY: FACING THE EDUCATIONAL CHALLENGE — Roundtable Discussion by the Kirkland Project
Milton F. Fillius, Jr. Events Barn

Moderator:
Richard W. Couper '44, *Life Trustee*

Roundtable Participants:
Patricia T. Smalley P'93, *Trustee*
Barbara Kirk Gold, *Associate Dean of the Faculty and Professor of Classics*
Nancy Sorkin Rabinowitz, *Margaret Bundy Scott Professor of Comparative Literature*
Timothy J. Kelly, *Associate Professor of Mathematics*
Chandra Talpade Mohanty, *Associate Professor of Women's Studies*
Amie A. Macdonald '87, *Assistant Professor of Philosophy*
Susan Sánchez Casal, *Assistant Professor of Spanish*
Vincent O. Odamtten P'98, *Associate Professor of English*

3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.
ARTHUR LEVITT PUBLIC AFFAIRS CENTER PRESENTATION
Kirner-Johnson Auditorium

Led by:
David C. Paris '71, *Acting Dean of the Faculty and James S. Sherman Professor of Government*
Paul Gary Wyckoff, *Director, Arthur Levitt Public Affairs Center and Associate Professor of Government*
Frank M. Anechiarico '71, *Maynard-Knox Professor of Government and Law*
Susan A. Mason, *Director, Program in Teacher Education*

by special invitation only

6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.
CAMPAIGN KICKOFF GALA CELEBRATION

Reception
McEwen Quadrangle

Program
Wellin Hall, Schambach Center for Music and the Performing Arts

Dinner
Margaret Bundy Scott Field House

Master of Ceremonies:
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10:00 p.m.
LOVE LETTERS
Minor Theater

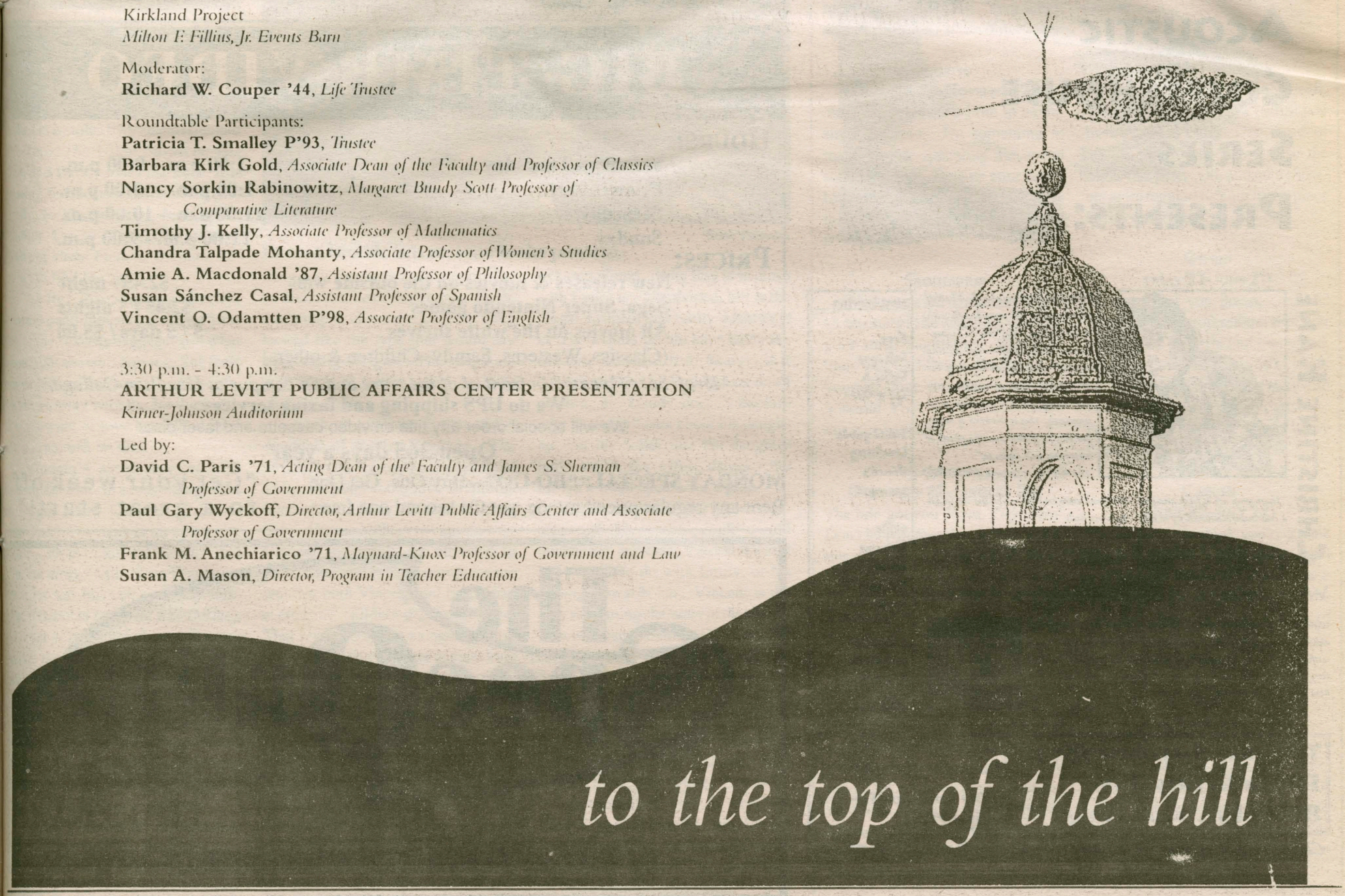
Directed by:
Carole A. Bellini-Sharp, *Marjorie and Robert W. McEwen Professor of Theatre*

Performed by:
Sandra Faison K'72 and **Alan Bryce '71**

SUNDAY, September 21

10:30 a.m.
COFFEE AND CHAPEL SERVICE (11:00 a.m.)
Chapel

11:00 a.m.
ALUMNI SOCCER GAME
Love Field



Visiting artists bring diversity issues to light

By Jenny Jefferson
A&E Writer

This season, the Hamilton Performing Arts Series will be welcoming adiverse group of artists to campus. Working in various mediums and coming from all parts of the world, these performers have strong messages to convey through their art. Many of these messages tie in closely with the issues of diversity and acceptance that the Hamilton community is currently struggling with.

The first show of the season, taking place on October 11 at 8pm, will be exploring issues related to being Chinese in America. After Sorrow, a performance that is supported by the National Endowment for the Arts along with many other reputable organizations, is part of an East/West trilogy. The show owes its success to writer and director Ping Chong, choreographer and performer Muna Tseng, and musical composer Josef Fung. Through it's dance theater medium, After Sorrow will bring a contemporary issue to light for the Community.

The other performance to come to Wellin this fall will be the musical group Inti-Illimani. This group combines the sounds of Latin American folk and contemporary music in order to send strong political messages. The group's style is called nueva cancion, and is part of a rich Latin American tradition. Despite a fifteen year exile from Chile, the group has maintained its unity. Its exile terminated in 1988, and since then the musicians have been busy creating new music. Inti-Illimani brings us songs of social protest that help the world become aware of and begin to combat oppressive social conditions. This highly acclaimed group, which has been together since 1967, will perform on November 7 at 8pm.

The two shows coming this fall should raise important issues on this campus. They will also enable us to continue exploring the issues already on the table. The spring season, which will bring us performances by Ulali, The Oakland Ballet, and The Carnatic Music Ensemble, promises to be equally enriching. Subscribe now, before the tickets to these shows are gone! For more information, call x4331.

Step into the Cornershop, don't leave

Singh and co. master Indian rhythms, Brit beats

By Peter N. Gaston
Editor-in-Chief

Buddha's Buzz

Cornershop

When I Was Born For The Seventh Time

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Having spent a summer working in the Mecca of music journalism—*Rolling Stone*—I have heard my fair share of new music and, frankly, most of it isn't worth the plastic it's recorded on. While record companies seek the next Seven Mary Three or Matchbox 20, quality releases are few and far between.

This is why Cornershop's latest effort, *When I Was Born For The Seventh Time* (Luaka Bop/Warner), is so refreshing. Led by vocalist/songwriter/guitarist Tjinder Singh, this British quintet offers up the best mix of beats and culture since *Odelay*.

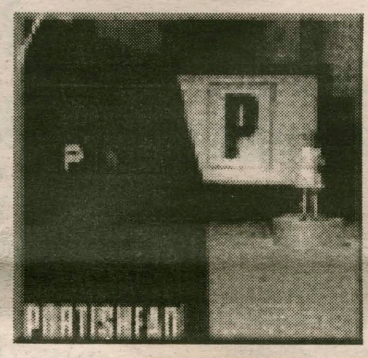
Singh shows he has the guts to break free, as indicated by the album's closing track: a cover of the Beatles' "Norwegian Wood" Singh-sung in Punjabi.

It is Cornershop's buoyant flavor of sitars and tablas mixed with silky hip-hop beats on tracks like "Brimful of Asha" and the album's slick first single, "Funky Days Are Back Again." And, since it is 1997, we have the obligatory record-scratching track, "Butter the Soul," whose stumbling riff melts into jamming sitar.

But this band is not without its message. In what Singh calls a mix of Asian rage and the serenity of Indian culture, Cornershop confronts social issues in a humorous and pointed manner. In "Funky Days," the lyrics range from talking about partying again to talking about having worker strikes again, and references to corporate giants like Coca-Cola and IBM are scattered throughout.

Seventh Time only suffers from a few failed experiments in sonic sampling, but the infectious nature prevails.

Music News



Portishead finally set to release second album

One of the most anticipated releases of the year is surely Portishead's self-titled sophomore release, due in stores September 30.

The pioneers of original trip-hop dove into a reclusive stupor after their 1994 album, *Dummy* (London), only to emerge earlier this summer with a stock of new material. I had the pleasure of seeing Portishead's only live performance of the year: the filming of their concert video at the Roseland Ballroom in New York in July. Backed by a 30-piece orchestra, the band tried out the new stuff. To put it simply, if you dig *Dummy* you'll fall in love with the new album.

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Emerson Gallery launches poster exibition of Spanish Civil War

By Jessica Hunt '01
A&E writter

On Sunday September 7, 1997, the Emerson Gallery presented the opening of "Shouts From the Wall" an exhibition of posters and photographs brought home by American volunteers after the Spanish Civil War. The exhibit, which will remain in the gallery until October 19, was organized by the Abraham Lincoln Brigade Archives at Brandeis University, and by curators Peter Carroll and Cary Nelson.

The Abraham Lincoln Brigade Archives (ALBA) works to educate students about United States involvement in Spain during its Civil War. Shortly before World War II began, Hitler and Mussolini funded the Facest leader Franco in his fight against the democratic Spanish Republicin an attempt to gain supreme control of the region. Since the United States chose not to officialy intervene, over 2,800 Americans, nicknamed the Abraham Lincoln Brigade, voluntarily joined other forces to fight fascism.

The posters and photographs on display in the gallery represent the strength of the Spanish people and those that aided them in their resistance. Full of bright colors and powerful phrases, the posters, which once covered the walls of subway stations in Madrid, still remind Americans of the public debates they sparked during wartime in Spain. Controversial yet intriguing, they are the highlighs of the few Republican documents Americans have left of the Spanish Civil War.

In conjunction with the gallery display, two American veterans, Abe Osheroff and Saul Wellman, who fought in Spain during the resistance, came to campus on the day of the opening for a panel discussion entitled "The Meaning of the Spanish Civil War". On Monday September 8th, a historical documentary about the Abraham Lincoln Brigade entitled *The Good Fight*, was shown in Wellin Hall. Emerson Gallery is sponsoring a film series on the Spanish Civil War and numerous lectures concerning the art and literature of that time period. These will be taking place throughout September and October.

For more information contact the Emerson Gallery at x4396.

COURTESY EMERSON GALLERY

MOVIES IN REVIEW

Excess Baggage

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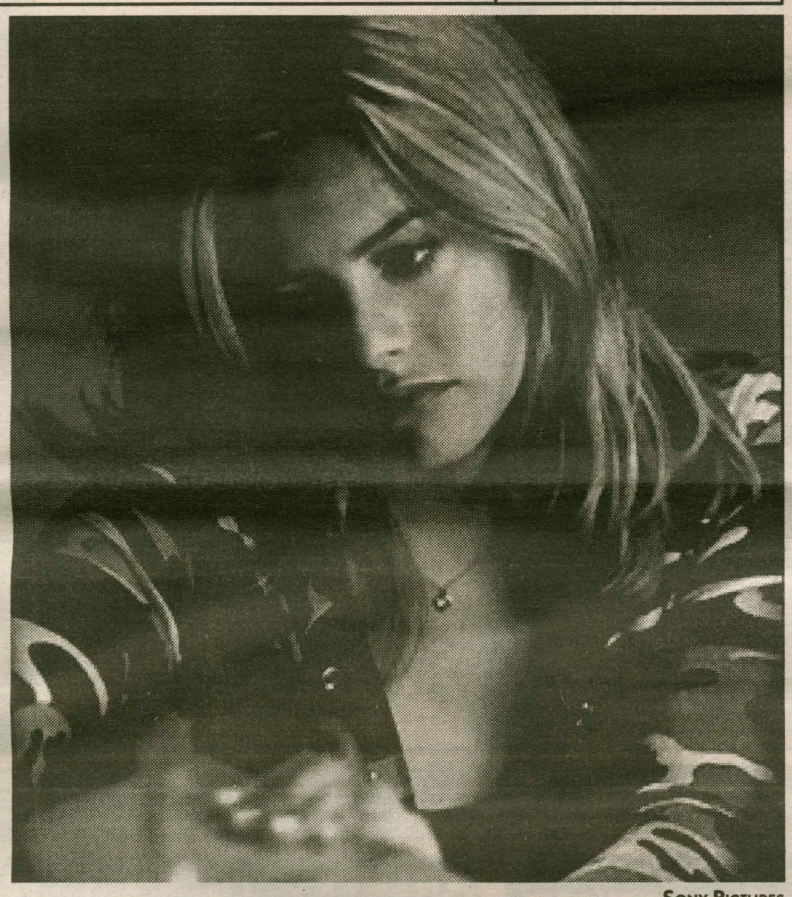
Courtesy Hoyt's Sangertown 8
Sangertown Square Mall

By Kathy Hess '99
editorial cartoonist



Sony Pictures

Excess Blond: Silverstone looks pensive.

Daddy is ignoring you again. Most kids just get something pierced or cling to their parents. What happens when that isn't enough? The important thing to do is the most expensive and stupid thing possible. Stage a kidnapping. That opens up the plot in *Excess Baggage*. A few actors in *Excess Baggage* are the only redeeming quality of the messy film which casts Alicia Silverstone (*Clueless, Batman and Robin*) as Emily the spoiled brat.

The kidnapping that Emily stages seems to be working fine. Daddy Alexander (Jack Thompson: *Broken Arrow*, *The Sum of Us*) chases after her with the a million bucks in tow. Unfortunately the car that Emily puts herself in is stolen by Vincent (Benicio Del Toro: *The Usual Suspects*, *The Fan*) and Daddy loses the trail. It is proving to be too expensive to find Emily, so Daddy stops, leaving his brother Uncle Ray (Christopher Walken: *Pulp Fiction*, *Batman Returns*) to find his niece.

After discovering Emily, Vincent continuously tries to rid himself of the "excess baggage" (oh what a pun!) but she isn't moving. She feels unwanted and unloved at home so she decides to stay with the car thief who doesn't want or love her, but at least she has a crush on him.

Vincent's associates are also looking for him. In a twist straight out of Fargo, Harry Connick Jr. (*Little Man Tate*, *Copycat*) is an extremely polite, superficial car dealer that Vincent works with. Two henchmen are after the thieves, one very talkative (Nicholas Turturro: *NYPD Blue*), the other very silent (whose role is not unlike the little fourth grader who plays a tree in the school play- they needed another character, but didn't want him to do anything). It is so annoying to see the creative twist on a role in one good movie (car salesman and thugs in *Fargo*) become the badly done half-ass cliché in this one.

Harry Connick Jr. as Greg-the-car-salesman and the thugs are supposed to be funny. They try so hard. Greg says, "Gosh," whenever something goes wrong and it is supposed to be funny that he doesn't curse. Gosh, that's stupid. Goodness gracious, Greg looked like the type that would say gosh and golly-gee. The thugs are dull, there is nothing new to their cliché's roles.

Lack of creativity is part of the downfall of *Excess Baggage*. The writers wrote a crappy script without a plot or a point and Marco Brambilla (*Demolition Man*) directed it similarly. No one bothers to explain why Vincent and Emily are attracted to each other, and every ten minutes the fact that both Vincent and Emily had a crummy childhood is mentioned. That seems to be the excuse for anything now. If a character is nice, kind and sympathetic they must be more understanding because of a crummy childhood. If the character is a rotten moron, it is because he/she had a crummy childhood. No character with a happy childhood can exist without a sudden and tragic death. If the character's childhood was so fascinating, why isn't the film about that?

Uncle Ray is both cruel and kind, but for no reason. His childhood is left unexplored.. Why Ray is so close with Emily isn't explained, nor is the illegal business that Emily's family is in. The writers should have taken the example of *Leave It to Beaver*; if it doesn't matter what Daddy does, don't get into it. Daddy doesn't explain why he doesn't care about his daughter, yet his belief that his daughter isn't worth the effort drives the movie's weak excuse for a plot.

Emily is a brat. After fifteen minutes with her, most people would muzzle her, or worse. Vincent doesn't know what to do with Emily, or his feelings towards her. Vincent is the only redeeming character of the movie. This is because Benicio Del Toro has real tallent and acts like a real person (not a cliché of a person) would under such circumstances . His being an entertaining character doesn't fit with the film. His interpetation of the role role promises better and more well written fims in his future.

It took three men to write the film. Why didn't anyone proofread it for a smooth plot, interesting characters, or believability? They must have all had a crummy childhood.

HOROSCOPES

For The Week Of September 12th

The Mysterious Q
A&E astrologer

Virgo
(August 24-September 23)

So you've got the beat and you just want to let it out, Virgo. You're a natural performer and youll soon suceed . Your lucky food is: broccoli.

Libra
(September 24-October 23)

Libra, you are out of control. You're doing well in classes and you've been hanging out with all your friends. . Make sure to use our lucky streak it wisely. Your lucky school supply is: white out.

Scorpio
(October 24-November 22)

Your room leaves a little to be desired, Scorpio. Do something to make it more appealing like spend some time in it. Despite your desire for nothing to work out right, everything will go well. Your lucky word is: superb.

Sagittarius
(November 23-December 21)

Everyone will be watching you strut your stuff, Sagittarius! The sidelines will be filled with fans so let yourself shine. Scandals lurk on the horizon! Your lucky piece of clothing is: a bandana.

Capricorn
(December 22-January 20)

The rain got you down, Capricorn? Don't let it bother you, inside activities will have much promise. Also, your school work does need a little attention. Now would be a good time to finally open your new books. Your lucky phone is: AT&T.

Aquarius
(January 21-February 19)

Feeling a little bit out of the loop, Aquarius? There are reasons for it, it's not just your imagination. You can either continue to rock out in your own world or face the music. Keep in mind that word spreads quicklyhere and feelings do get hurt. Your lucky material is: vinyl.

Pisces
(February 20-March 20)

You think you're the smartest one in your class, Pisces? Beware of those more intelligent to knock you off your high horse. Raising your hand all the time, means nothing. Your lucky lunch lady is: Marge.

Aries
(March 21-April 20)

So you're just about back in the swing of things, Aries. You've got aroutine and things are going okay. Well get ready for some excitement. Be ready for things to happen when you least expect themto. Your lucky number is: 100.

Taurus
(April 21-May 21)

So Taurus, you think you know it all. Well, soon enough you'll realize you haven't got a clue. One word of advice, figure out how to use the libraryproperly. Oh, and take showers more regularly. Your lucky place is:Beverly Hills

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Gemini
(May 22-June 21)

Meetings got you down, Gemini? You're just so professional this year you'd think that you had graduated. Well, earth to Gemini, you're still a student, act like one. Have some fun and relax. This weekend partying hard is your best bet. Your lucky band is: Fluffy.

Cancer
(June 22-July 22)

So some people think you're a little crazy, Cancer. Show them what you'rereally made of. Make new friends and do something out of the ordinary thisweek. But, beware of scandals., Your luckydressing is: fat free honey dijon.

Leo
(July 23-August 23)

So there are a few questons you are dying to ask, Leo. Don't be a cowardly lion, things will work out if you'd just be daring. Work your charm on anyone you want and you will be successful. Your lucky item of clothes is: underwear.

LECTURES

Monday: At 7:30 in the Red Pit Kimberly Salatte, Office of Residential Life, will give a lecture called "Get High on Life Not Drugs!". This lecture is part of the Wellness Seminar Series and is sponsored by the Department of Physical Education & Athletics, Offices of the Dean of Students, and Dean of Faculty.

FILM

Call Information for this week's film.

ARTS

Exhibition: *Shouts from the Wall* will be on display in Emerson Gallery until October 19. This is an exhibition of posters and photographs used by the Spanish Republic in order to gain support against Franco during the Spanish Civil War of 1936-1939.

Monday: At 8:30 pm in Wellin Hall there will be Hard-Bop Jazz concert given by the "Eddie Allen Jazz Quintet. Sponsored by the Department of Music.

CHECK IT OUT

Saturday: There will be a "Casino Night" at 8 pm in the Events Barn, a great opportunity to win prizes. Sponsored by CAB.

Thursday: "For Whom th Bell Tolls" (USA, Sam Wood, 1943) will be playe at 7 pm in the KJ Audito- rium. Catherine Gunther Kodat, Assistant Professo of English and American Studies, will give an intro- duction and commentary. This is presented as part o the *Shouts from the Wall* exhibition. Sponsored by the Emerson Gallery.

Thursday: At 8 pm there will be an Acoustic Coffee- house. "Christine Kane w Shrinking Violets" will perform in the Events Bar Sponsored by CAB.

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Copland	*7:05, 9:50*	*Excess Baggage*	*7:10, 9:45*
Money Talks	*7:15, 9:55*	*Conspiracy Theory*	*6:30, 7:25*
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Veteran defense, new offensive starters lead football

By Peter Ringel '01
SPORTS STAFF WRITER

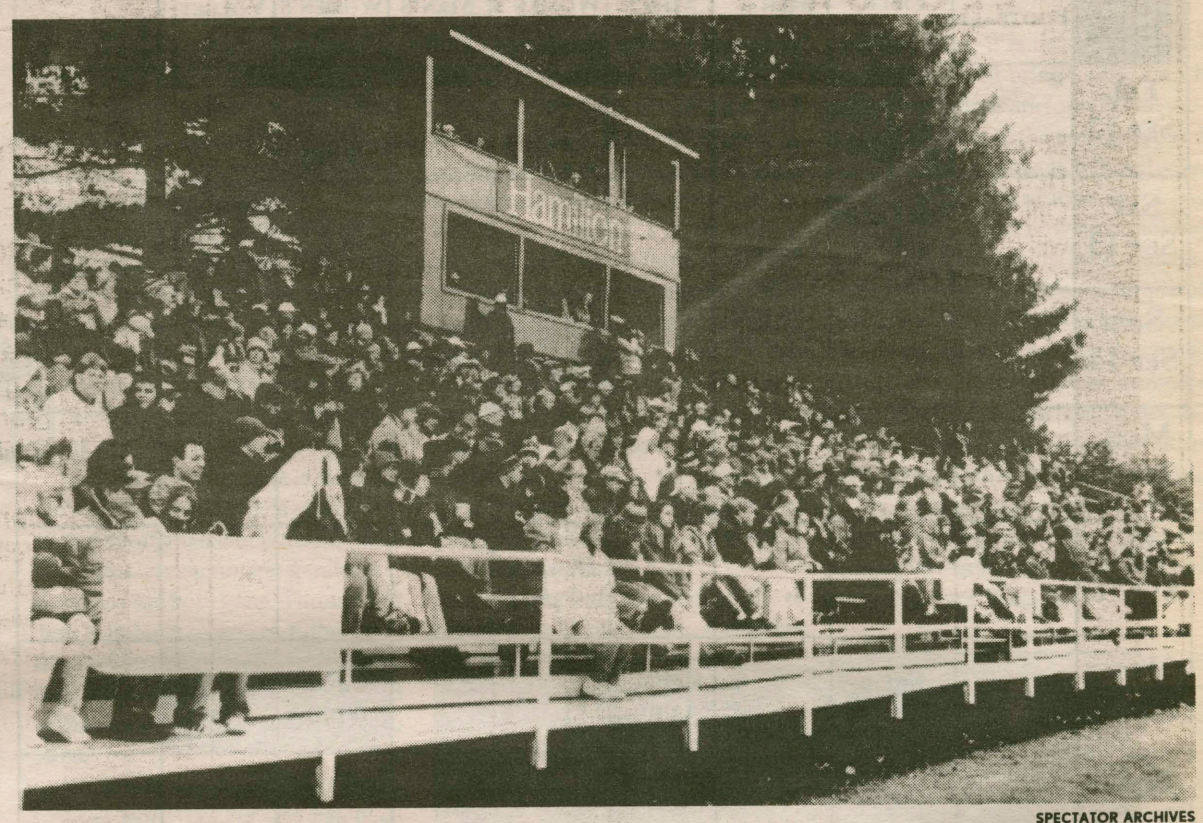
Quarterback Dan DeBlois is gone. Running backs Scott Milleisen and Adam Hodges are gone. Three of the most productive offensive weapons in the school's history, along with fourteen others from the 1996 Continentals, have graduated, leaving Coach Steve Frank with the difficult task of replacing those players and filling numerous holes left at key positions. These questions arise as the football team opens its regular season on September 20 against Amherst.

Despite the loss of seventeen seniors from the 1996 squad, the roster is full of returning upperclassmen, who will be vital to the team's success this season. Sophomore quarterback Robbie Peters will lead the offense, and try to provide the scoring punch the team will need to be competitive this year. Seniors Chris Kelly and Matt Markowski, along with sophomore Karl Knight, will handle the running game for the Continentals.

Two proven juniors, Shawn Lyons and Kelby Valentil, start at wide receiver, which will help Peters gain confidence. The two combined for 37 catches last season. "I'm confident that the offense will gel," said Frank. "We are inexperienced in certain areas, but we have good people to fill those positions, and our depth will help us throughout the season."

The Continentals boast both an experienced and a tenacious defense. It is led by inside linebacker David Martucci who had 65 tackles, four interceptions, and three sacks last season, and inside linebacker Buddy LaSala who led the team with 70 tackles in 1996. Defensive back Kyle Bennett had five interceptions last year, while being named as an All-NESCAC selection in '96. "This is a veteran defense," added Frank. "They are proven and have performed well in the past."

As the team readies itself to play the annual scrimmage with Tufts University at Williams this Saturday, Coach Frank has a few goals in mind. "I hope we grow as a team, fill some starting positions, and just see how we match up with Tufts," commented Frank.



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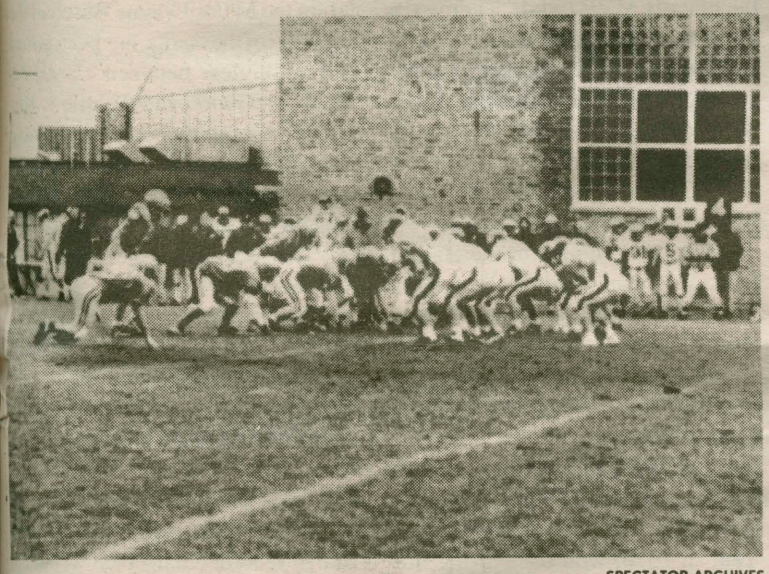

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Several new faces will line up for the Continentals.

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	Football	Field Hockey	Men's Golf	Men's Soccer	Women's Soccer	Men's Tennis	Women's Tennis	Volley-ball	X-Country
Fri. Sep 12		Skidmore 4 pm					William Smith 4 pm		
Sat. Sep 13		Rensselaer 2 pm	Tourney Colgate/ Cornell 10 am				Nazareth 12 pm	Skidmore/ Alfred 12/3 pm	Tri@Union/ Hartwick 11 am
Sun. Sep 14					Potsdam 2 pm	Nazareth 12 pm			
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Beat the Experts

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Specially Selected Sporting Events	Damon Lopez-O'Dwyer *Sports Editor*	Elliott Nix *Spectator Sports Editor*	Santax *Associate Sports Editor*	Sam Bhasim Sophomore *Guest #3*	Sean Curry Sophomore *Guest #4*
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NFL					
Miami at Green Bay 9/14	Green Bay	Green Bay	Miami	Green Bay	Green Bay
NY Jets at New England 9/14	NY Jets	NY Jets	New England	New England	New England
Arizona at Washington 9/14	Washington	Washington	Washington	Washington	Washington
Detroit at Chicago 9/14	Detroit	Detroit	Detroit	Bears	Chicago
Carolina at San Diego 9/14	Carolina	Carolina	Carolina	Carolina	Carolina
St. Louis at Denver 9/14	Denver	Denver	Denver	Denver	Denver
College Football					
Colorado at Michigan 9/13	Michigan	Colorado	Michigan	Michigan	Michigan
Stanford at North Carolina 9/13	North Carolina	North Carolina	North Carolina	North Carolina	North Carolina
Clemson at NC State 9/13	NC State	Clemson	NC State	Clemson	Clemson
West Virginia at Boston College 9/13	Boston College	West Virginia	West Virginia	Boston College	Boston College
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Lemieux, Soccer and MLB

Jason Santarcangelo

From The Front Office

Finally, Justice.

Well at last, Mario Lemieux one of the greatest professional hockey players of all time (number six on the all-time scoring list) will get his due. Lemieux was unanimously voted into the Hockey Hall of Fame just four months after retiring from the NHL, despite a three year waiting period. The 18 member selction comittee has waived the wait for eight other players: Dit Claper, Maurice "Rocket" Richard, Red Kelly, Jean Beliveau, Terry Sawchuk, Gordie Howe (he's coming out of retirement) and Bobby Orr. Lemiuex scored his first NHL goal in his first shift, on his first shot in 1984 in the Boston Garden against the Bruins. He finished with 613 goals, 1,494 points in 745 regular season games, was named rookie of the year in 1985, won six scoring titles (including last years), three Most Vaulable Player Awards, and two Conn Smythe Trophies as the playoff MVP (while leading the Peguins to back-to-back Stanley Cups in 1991 and 1992). If anyone is deserving, it is Lemieux, who dominated opponents as hobby. He preformed in the clutch. He elevated the play of those around him. He transformed the game.

Joining Lemieux in the Hall of Fame in Toronto will be New York Islander Bryan Trottier who helped the Islanders to four Stanley Cups (he won two more with Lemieux in Pitssburgh) including four in a row from 1980-1983. Trottier averaged better than a point a game (524 goals, 1,425 points in 1,279 regular season games), was named Rookie of the Year in 1976, won the scoring title and MVP title in 1978-79. Glen Sather, legendary Oliers Coach/GM was also be inducted. Sather complied a 464-268-110 record while leading the Oilers to four Stanley Cups (1984,'85,'87,'88, '90).

Americans Keep Hope Alive.

The United States Soccer Program has finally begun to reach deserving heights. They wear the flag on their uniform,they play for us. Last Sunday, at Civic Stadium in Portland, in front of sellout crowd of 27,396, the Americans were treated to a home field advantage.

The Americans went into the "must win" game missing two key players, midfielder and Captain John Harkes, who was forced to sit out after receiving two yellow card in previous qualifying competition and forward Eric Wynalda, who had not recovered from groin surgery. Another question mark was Tab Ramos who was returning to the US lineup for the first time in eight months following re-constructive knee surgery. The United States attacked all afternoon but was unable score. Late in game, the Americans made three roster changes to help the tiring offense. The moves made coach Steve Sampson look like a hero, as the fresh legs of Preki Radosavljevic were able to beat the Costa Rican defense in the 78th minute, chip a ball to Marcelo Balboa who tapped it back to Ramo right foot. Twenty-two yar seperated the US and a one goal le they so desperately needed. As t ball left Ramos' foot, Erick Lonni the Costa Rican goalie, dove to h left. It was too late. Ramo's blisterin shot hit the back of the net. T partisan crowd erupted.

The American's now find them selves in second place in th CONCAF (their World Cup qualify ing division), two points behin Mexico and one ahead of both Cost Rico and Jamaica. The top three team will earn a trip to France to represe their country and the CONCAF. Thi game was more than a victory for th United States, it was a momentu builder. However, mos important t the team i as Preki said "France here w come."

MLB, What is really left?

With approximately 17 game left in the Major League Baseball th attention of the media, has been turne to the slugfest between Cardinal Mark McGwire and Seattle's Ke Griffey Jr., who both are chasin Roger Maris' single season homeru record. Each has managed to belt 5 dingers, six behind the pace Mari set. This journalist believes they wi both fall short

Neither McGwire nor Griffey Jr., is in a "hot" pennant race. The Mariners are six up on the Angels an the Cardinals are six behind Houston with Pittsburgh in the middle. Both teams much like their slugging he roes need miracles to lose/win thei division, win the wild card or brea Maris' record. Do the beat writers o MLB have anything else better to do

It seems as if the 150 game already played have determined th playoffs, except the National Leagu West where LA Dodgers hold a slim one game lead over the San Fran cisco Giants. Unfortunately, the lose might just be done for the season, a the Florida Marlins seem to have firm hold on the wild card. You migh find yourself asking, "What is left i the baseball season." The answe not much.

There are a few records that wil be decided down the strectch, but n playoff bound team is going to sacri fice the post season for a batting titl or save record. The baseball season has lost its glory. Interleague play was great the first time around, not so bad the second and horrible the third Major League Baseball needs to find something to bring the fans back. I this past season is any indication they are a long way away. The best thing for baseball at this point would be fo the Yankees to repeat. Not because I am a Yankee fan. Rather, becuase th Yankees are the most recognized sports team in the world, a repeat o last year's World Championship could only provide a much needed image boost. Youngsters watching the magic of New York and the Yan kees in October can only help t bring the fans, especially the young ones back to the game.

Wimbledon's favorite son takes his final bow: Becker's sudden farewell

DAMON LOPEZ-O'DWYER
EDITOR'S NOTES

On Sunday, Patrick Rafter defeated Greg Rusedski and became the first Australian to win the U.S. Open in twenty-four years. It was a victory that ended the 1997 Grand Slam circuit and a summer season of tennis rich with fresh faces, new beginnings, and unforgettable ceremony.

Amidst the celebration of the new Arthur Ashe Stadium at Flushing Meadows and the new Court One at the All-England Club; despite the phenomenal rise of American Venus Williams and utter dominance of sixteen year old Martina Hingis; and through the quiet brilliance of Pete Sampras' fourth Wimbledon title, tennis fans will look back on one moment this summer more than on any other of the year's memorable events.

It was a barely audible exchange between two of tennis's greatest stars, sharing an immensely private moment in the company of thousands. It quickly became known as the "whisper heard around Wimbledon."

What is it about the summer fortnight on the grass of England that manages to steal our hearts each year so unlike any other tournament? Is it the history and the tradition? Is it that ever refined English style and grace? Quite simply, it is all of these things and more. It is the stage that Wimbledon provides for rare elegance and a touch of class. It is why when Boris Becker told Pete Sampras that he had played his final match on the hallowed lawns, Sampras spoke for all of us: "really?"

As shocking as it is to us that Becker is calling it quits seemingly still in his prime, it is only fitting that he should do so in a year when Wimbledon's greatest champions were given a royal salute in inauguration of the new court. The immortals of Wimbledon—the three time winners—were present to bless the new court and in a ceremony that honored their legends, Becker proudly took his place. It was impossible to know the significance at the time, but in retrospect it is particularly poignant that Sampras and Becker were the last to enter the stadium, just after Stephan Edberg whose battles with Becker defined Wimbledon for three straight years. The five act masterpiece that Edberg eventually won in 1990 will forever be remembered as one of the great shows of tennis brilliance and unparalleled sportsmanship put on by tennis' most consummate gentlemen. Now they are both gone. Throughout their Wimbledon careers, Edberg and Becker idealized style and respect for their sport, and this year we watched as their sport stylishly paid respect to them.

It is hard to imagine Wimbledon without Boris Becker. He has been Wimbledon's prodigal son since diving and tumbling his way to an unheralded championship in 1985 as an unseeded 17-year-old. They called him "Boom-Boom" for his explosive power—his punishing serve and his commanding strokes. But perhaps he will most be remembered for his gentle caring and love for his sport and his humble acceptance of his place in tennis history—of his place in Wimbledon history.

Just as any proud champion, Becker is aware of his limits. Although those who watch him play would disagree, Becker feels that he no longer has what it takes to win a major, and that is reason enough for him to call it quits. "I'm the type of guy who goes into a tournament and who likes to have a chance to win it and I feel like that's not possible for me anymore in Grand Slams." It fits the Becker mystique to end his career as suddenly as it began. He started his journey on top and now, he is leaving the Becker way—on top. "I feel very relieved, you know. I feel like I've come to the end of the road, with my head held up high."

The glory of sport is its ability to redefine itself continually. As Becker has taught us, it is the crescendo of victory that will bring us back each year. Champions are forever, but victors only last until the next go around and as Becker himself will tell you, he has had his go around and it has been glorious. But now he is moving aside and offering the next generation its shot. It is another example of Becker's dignity and wisdom. So as we rightfully make way for the champions of tomorrow, let us embrace them as we embraced "Boom Boom" Becker twelve years ago. But let us also always remember with fondness, admiration and respect, Boris Becker's final bow. Rare elegance and style—Edberg had it, Becker had it, and we will miss it.

Young field hockey talent gives aid to skilled veterans

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expected once again to carry a large part of the team's offense on her able shoulders. While McGarry's speed and agility have fellow NESCAC teams expecting the worst.

Hamilton's most lethal offensive weapon is starting attack and Tri-Captain Laura Gentner. Gentner's '98 quick, accurate shot is completmented well by fellow attack members Casey Gaotti '99 and Sarah Wald '00.

Head coach Betsy Bruce has once again put together a team that should challenge the best the State has to offer. The team's season opens this weekend, on the Love Rug, with a game Friday at 4:00pm against Skidmore followed on Saturday by a game against RPI at 2:00pm.

Golf swings into season

By Jonathan Cornwell '99
SPORTS WRITER

Last Saturday, the Hamilton Golf Team awoke while much of the campus was sleeping. They boarded the van to travel to Binghamton for their match of the year. Despite a high hopes, for a *good* beginning to the season, the team finished last in the six team tournament.

The team was led by senior captain **John Whitwell** '98 who shot a 77 on the shortened par 69 En-Joie Golf Course. **Darren Fuller** '98 and **Jonathan Cornwell** '99 both shot 78. **Corey Giroux** '00 fired a 79 and **Matt Miller** '99 managed an 81 to round out the Continentials top five. The 312 stroke total, left the team in last, two strokes behind fifth place Alfred and eight shots behind fourth place Hofstra. Binghamton captured their own tournament behind the strong play of individual winner Jason Bowie who blistered the course with a three under 66.

Despite a sluggish start, the team is looking strong heading herading into a busy fall season. Despite the loss of four-year standout **Mike Saber** '97, the Continentials are deep with experience and will have to count on everyone to contribute. Rounding out the team are the long-hitting **Bryan Richetti** '99, **Brett Geruntino** '99, **Adam Sichol** '98, **Matt George** '98 and Sebastian Lecaros '01. The team is looking forward to competing against the best Divison II teams in the country this season. This weekend the Continentials will travel to the Colgate/Cornell tournament where they hope to rebound from a disappointing start to the Fall Season.

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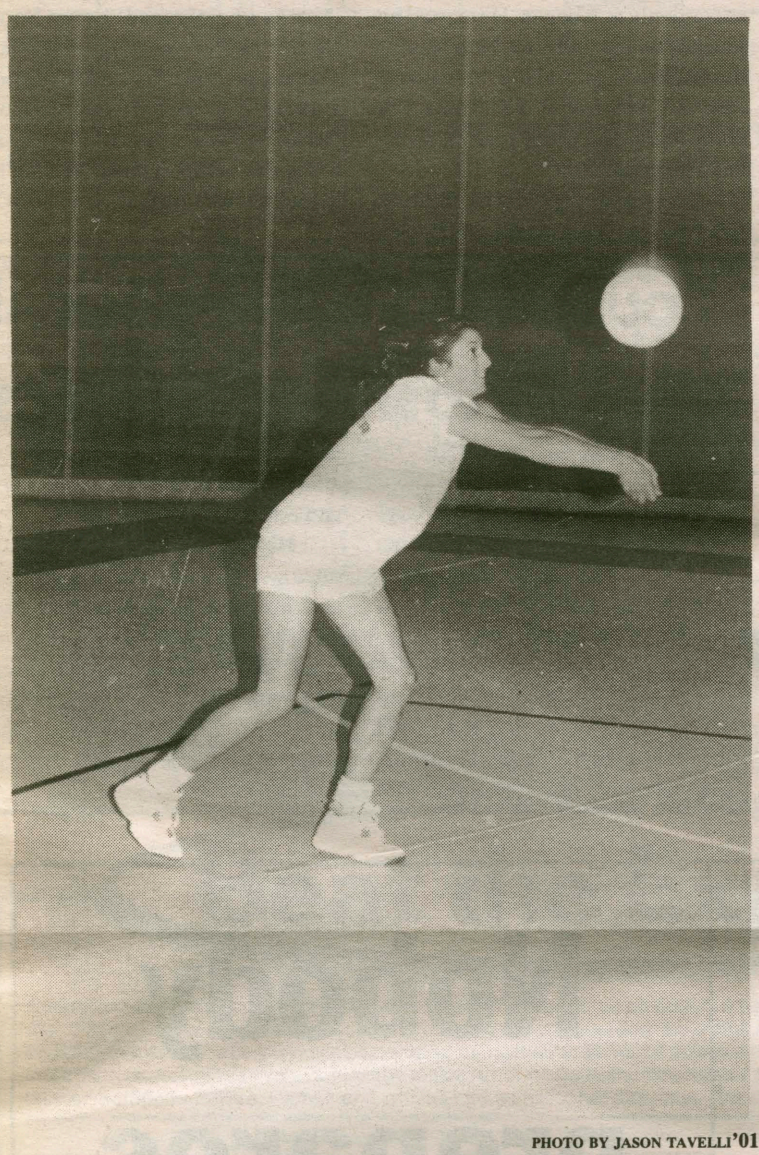
Volleyball looks to improve on opening night victory



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Co-captain Jen Lentek '99 heads a richly talented team.

By Jason Santarcangelo '98

ASSOCIATE SPORTS EDITOR

The Hamilton Volleyball team opened the 1997 campaign with a hard fought victory over rival SUNY Utica. The Continentals captured the thrilling five game match after losing the fourth game. The ladies rebounded winning the final set 15-8. "We used our speed and athletic ability on defense to recapture the momentum and pull out the five set victory," noted Co-Captain Emily Cooney '99 after the match. Hamilton captured the first third and fifth sets, while dropping the second and fourth (15-8,5-15,15-9,3-15,15-8).

Anchoring the strong defensive effort was setter and right back hitter Sarah Tschampel '00. Tschampel managed twenty digs, lead the team in assists and added six service aces to spark the offense. Co-Captain Jen Lentek was asked to fill a void in the middle and did so willingly. However, with the fifth and deciding game and match on the line Coach Julie Deihl moved Lentek back home to the outside. Lentek's strong offense prowless from the outside helped cement the victory. First year Kara Sterling '01 got her first taste of college athletics and responded by providing excellent defense when the team needed it most. In her first match she recorded nineteen digs and twelve service returns.

Cooney, a defensive specialist, helped to keep the young team calm adding 22 service returns, nine digs, and one service ace. Angela Whitford '99 maintained a strong offensive presence on the outside providing key kills at opportune times. Cooney commented on Whitford's play, "she really anchored our offense, we are young. We feel comfortable giving her the ball and letting her do the rest." Virginia Whitford '00 (yes, they are sisters) provided a steady outside game which allowed the offense another option keeping the Wildcats on their toes. Korey O'Malley '01 complemented the offense nicely contributing important sets at key times. Erika Simpson '01 adjusted well in her first collegiate match steeping in and filling the large shoes of departed Christina Clark '97 in the middle. It is evident that while this team is young, they are quick and poised. They seemed almost fearless.

Coach Deihl commented, "they played well in our season opener against a scrapy always improving team. We are very young. We are looking to repeat last year's success." They will try to improve on last year's success and remain undefeated when they host Skidmore and Alfred at the Margaret Bundy Scott Field House tomorrow, September 13th. The first match is scheduled to get under way at noon.

Women's tennis team aces Leymoyne

Victory predicts success for the tennis squad

By Nicole Wolford '00

SPORTS WRITER

The women's tennis team is off to a successful start. They opened the season with a 6-3 home win over Lemoyne on Monday. What makes this win all the more impressive was that it was fueled by young talent, three freshmen and three sophomores.

With solid net play and great court coverage, Jessica Leshih '01 and Noel Erickson '01 defeated the Lemoyne first doubles duo 8-3. At second doubles, Eileen Weldman '01 and co-captain Mindy Bell '01 saved an 8-6 win, and the third doubles tandem of Kristen Donofrio '00 and Nicole Barnard '00 suffered a close loss in the tie-break dropping the set 9-8, losing the tie-break 7-5.

In singles action the Hamiltonians made a strong showing. According to coach Kelley McElroy, Jessica Leshih "gave a valiant effort" in her close loss at the first singles spot, to German exchange student Yvonne Lenzen. Noel Erickson dropped 2 sets 6-3, 6-3 to Jamie LeChase at the number 2 position. Eileen Weldman, however, "just dominated" at the number 3 slot. Coach McElroy seems positive, hoping the Lemoyne match was an opportunity for the team to get over the "butterflies."

McElroy says this year's squad may well be the best Hamilton has had in a few years. Gauging by the hard-fought wins captured by sophomore Mindy Bell at 4th singles and Kristen Donofrio at 5th singles, it's hard to argue. Bell won in 3 sets, 6-3, 6-7 (7-1), 6-3. Donofrio came back from one set down to win, 4-6, 6-3, 6-3. In the 6th singles slot, "a very focused" Nicole Barnard defeated Kristen Reif 6-0, 6-3.

The team is young, but talented and deep. Co-captains Emma McClaren '99 and Courtney Dane '99, along with Sarah Chatterton '00 round out the roster.

The women's tennis team is looking for a little crowd support at their upcoming home matches as they hope to build on their 1-0 record this week against Union on Wednesday at 4 p.m. and Cortland on Friday at 3:30 p.m. With any luck, the newly resurfaced upper courts will be ready for action and the women can christen them with victories over their upstate rivals. With a team loaded with as much potential as this year's squad, every victory should translate into the confidence necessary to be successful in the always competitive NESCAC league. A strong start to the season could be just the boost this team needs.

Veterans lead young field hockey team

By C. Harris Dague '98

SPORTS WRITER

After nearly three weeks of grueling mental and physical preparation, the Hamilton College Women's Field Hockey Team is ready to kick off their 1997 campaign. This Weekends double header against the Capital Districs finest, RPI and Skidmore College, marks the beginning of what Tri-Captain Kim Powers '98 expects to be a monumental season. "The team this year looks great. We have a good mix of talented young players and older, more experienced players. This team could be one of the best Hamilton has ever seen and you can quote me on that."

Power's anchors a defensive unit that prides itself on physically intimidating opponents. Becky Iseman '01 and Joseline Torio '99 bring agility and quickness to the defense, while Powers supplies much of the muscle and intimidation. Behind the defense is starting goalie Kelly Kruk '00 whose Junior Varsity heroics last season make her one to watch on this year's team.

The Continental's midfield unit is based around the talent and experience of tri-captain Sarah Chesin '98 and the fleet footed Catherine McGarry '98. Chesin, one of last year's most prolific scorers, will be

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Strong men's soccer team prepares for season opener

By Mike Herren '01

SPORTS WRITER

The Men's Varsity Soccer Team has been sliding, jumping, and weaving their way into this season as they prepare for a competitive schedule. They open this Wednesday against Union.

The team is fortunate to return four seniors to their lineup this year. The dominating play of co-captains Ryan Stoddard '98 and Brendan Forrest '98 will be supplemented by Gaston Yordan '98 and Preston Sutton '98. The team will sorely miss the spectacular play of last year's graduates, Ke Sagnia '97, Jason Kingsbury '97, Lee Rubenstein '97, Josh Stahl '97, and Kemp Bundy '97. In their place Coach Manfred E. Von Schiller has added several prodigies David Bugliari '01, Lee Whitaker '01, and Chris Steed '01. In addition, the team returns last year's second leading scorer Ted Comerford '99 (4G/2A), and team MVP, stopper Peter Montgomery '99. The mix of veteran leadership and young talent will surely provide the Continentals a smooth transition into the 1997 season.

Making this season even more special is the intended retirement of Coach Von Schiller at the end of the season. Von Schiller had led the team since 1959, compiling an outstanding record of 217-155-25. He is among the winningest coaches in Division III. His loss will end a long-standing era of outstanding success on the Hill not soon to be forgotten.

The Continentals could easily have had a winning season last year, if it were not for two one goal losses to Skidmore and Clarkson, and an overtime loss to St. John Fisher. The result, a 5-7-2 record. Von Schiller admits the two most important points of this year's season are, "not having an 'off' game and staying healthy." These aspects have seemed to haunt the Continentials the most in the past.

Hamilton's Soccer team looks to jump back into action on the road, September 17 against the Union College Dutchmen. The Continentials will then have a long haul, playing fourteen games in just over six weeks.

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